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WASHINGTON.

More Rumors and Speculations About the Cabinet.

General Impression that the Selections Have Been Made.

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The Cabinet Selections Probably Made—Gen. Grant's Reason on Certain Men—The Platform of the Coming Man in the Treasury Department—Who Fits it—The Other Positions—The Current of the Undercurrent.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, Thursday, Feb. 18, 1869.

Gen. GRANT's speech has produced the impression among those best informed on the political situation, that the Cabinet is appointed, subject, possibly, to revision, but not very likely to be changed. This conviction has naturally stimulated the curiosity and anxiety to know who the men are. As this anxiety cannot be appeased for two weeks yet, the next most satisfactory thing is to know who are not the men. This would appear to be comparatively easy, but unless one can get at GRANT's own views and opinions of men, it is not so easy. One of your contemporaries tried that, with a very damaging result. Hence I am wary how I approach that subject.

But Gen. GRANT, the public may be assured, is not suffering for want of advice on Cabinet matters. A very considerable share of his time is given up to listening to what certain gentlemen are saying of certain other gentlemen; sometimes this is at the request of Gen. GRANT, but oftener it is at their own request; sometimes Gen. GRANT discusses men with them, and sometimes he listens and says nothing. But the people to whom he talks are not all so reticent as he by any means. Hence it is that some things become known which divest Cabinet matters of a very little of the mystery surrounding them. For if Gen. GRANT expresses an opinion to any one not as reticent as himself, it is pretty sure to get into the newspapers. Thus it comes that several gentlemen prominently mentioned for Cabinet positions are now considered disposed of negatively. In this list are included several leading New-England names—SUMNER, ADAMS, MORLEY and Senator WILSON. This disposes of nearly all the prominent timber for Secretary of State, Mr. STANTON having publicly announced that he is not in public life any longer. What other men are there, possessing the cool, well-balanced judgment, and able statesmanship necessary for this position, who are, at the same time, men after GRANT's own style? Who comes nearer to these requisites than WILLIAM PITT FESSENDEN?

The War and Navy Departments do not attract their share of comment. The War Department is conceded to Gen. SCHOFIELD for the present, especially as Senator WILSON, who is liked by the army, and who would make an excellent Secretary, has been informed by Gen. GRANT that it will not be practicable to invite him to a seat in the Cabinet, the reasons for which Gen. WILSON is understood to say, are entirely satisfactory to him. From this some people infer that Massachusetts is to be honored with the selection of another man. Will it be RICE for the Navy, or BOUTWELL or HOOPER for the Treasury? The latter has Mr. STANTON's warm friendship now as always. A great many New-York people would like to see JOHN A. GRINWOLD in the Navy Department. GRANT likes him.

As to the Treasury, the guessing is the most desperate. A belief is beginning to prevail that it will be some man not heretofore prominently named, and but little thought of in connection with the position. Judge-Advocate-General HOLT has been recently named. Gen. GRANT is known to have great confidence in Gen. HOLT's executive ability, unbending integrity and his capacity to judge of men. He would exercise very little mercy in cutting off official heads. But, dispensing with all nonsense, the list of men from which the Secretary of the Treasury is to be selected will be greatly narrowed down by looking at the basis of principles on which Gen. GRANT will select that officer. That man must be one who does not believe that we are to return to specie payments and solvency by any plan of legislation, but by natural causes—such as these: first, a return of the revenue service; second, a consequent increase of the revenue; third, the closest economy in expenditures; fourth, an application of the surplus revenue to the reduction of the debt; fifth, a sacred and zealous regard for the Government credit and its plighted faith. Legislation to be applied to these ends incidentally. Almost every sane man will say, "I subscribe to that platform." As a general theory they agree to it; as a practical fact they do not. Not one in ten of the candidates named for Secretary of the Treasury would be content to waive theories and apply such a plan to the solution of our financial difficulties. And yet what other result could follow such a policy than a steady appreciation of the Government credit until our securities, now quoted at 70 in London, should stand at 90 or 95—equal to par in gold at home. Would that not solve the difficulty and scatter paper plans for specie payments to the winds? I haven't the slightest idea who will be the coming man in the Treasury Department, but whoever he is, I am confident he will fit this platform.

For the other positions the guessing is more definite, but I do not know that it is any more reliable. As Mr. WASHBURNE is believed to be about to leave the House on account of his health, it is argued that the same reason will prevent him from accepting a Cabinet position. Another trip abroad is pointed at for him, perhaps in an official capacity. Mr. WILSON, of Iowa, who is more generally believed to be on Gen. GRANT's slate than any other one man, is sometimes put in the Interior Department, rather than in the Attorney-General's office, because he has been greatly over-worked in his position in Congress, and the Attorney-General's office would only be a continuance of the same class of exhaustive labor. I am not aware, however, of any expression from him on the subject. I learn that Mr. Senator CONNESS is a candidate for Secretary of the Interior, and that a paper bearing the indorsement of several of his Pacific Coast colleagues has been or will be presented to Gen. GRANT. In the meantime the Press of California have come out against him violently.

For Attorney-General no person is known to be very actively pushing his claims but Judge PIERREPONT, of New York. Both STANTON and EVARTS oppose his claims, but there is opposition to him, and Gen. GRANT is being talked to on his case. EVARTS has been named, but does not want the place. Like almost everybody else, he would prefer the Treasury. JAMES F. WILSON and Judge HOAR are bestowed by some for this office.

The Post Office Department is narrowed down to DENNISON, WILSON or HOLT, in the minds of those who think they can guess missing WADE has been talked of, but the public may leave him out of future calculations. He has been disposed of, and will not go into the Cabinet.

This is the current under-talk in Washington at this date. Some of these things are facts, and some are the result of speculation. "Which is which," the public will know after March 4.

CYRON.

Applications and Recommendations for Office—Views of Gen. Grant as to the Best Way to Build Up the Party—Gen. Grant and Gen. Meade.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Thursday, Feb. 18, 1869.

On the surface—I have had no time to probe deeper—there is less excitement here over the approaching change in the administration of the Government, than there is in New-York; and far less here than on any similar occasion within the memory of the "oldest correspondent." The anxiety in the minds of the place-hunters and politicians may be—and I do not doubt that it is—as great as on former occasions; but they do not talk of hopes and fears. There was just a little feeling to-night on the part of the friends of Messrs. SEWARD and FESSENDEN, in consequence of a report that the indications were that Mr. FESSENDEN would certainly be appointed Secretary of State in place of Mr. SEWARD, but the indications which "unerringly pointed" to this were confined to a word or two, an interview or the like, and the expressed fears of young men connected in some way with the State Department. There was really nothing to base the guess upon. The expressions were limited to regrets that so able a man as Mr. SEWARD could not remain where he is—at least that was the most significant expression which I heard on the subject.

A few simple-minded men, with no clear idea of how to seek or to fill an office, are to be seen about the hotels, as of old, armed with recommendations and soliciting additional signatures. But as a rule it is remarked that the place-hunters are few, or at least more than usually discreet, and keep quiet for the present. The unfortunate ones get negative replies to their applications for more signatures. "I have not put pen to paper in favor of any one," said a prominent New-York politician to-day to one of these petitioners. "You will only damage yourself and friends by any application at this time." Here is one reform which Gen. GRANT has already introduced; and judging by the care and timidity with which recommendations are signed, they will, under GRANT, mean more than they do now. Servants' and place-hunters' recommendations, like brevet commissions, have grown to be very meaningless.

GEN. GRANT'S OPINION OF RECOMMENDATIONS.

Gen. GRANT learned the folly of cheap recommendations during the war by a sad experience. Gen. HILLYER relates that shortly after the fall of Vicksburg a surgeon of an Illinois regiment, who had won his (HILLYER's) affections by some means, complained to him of the unpleasantness of a non-combatant's position to a man of peculiarly belligerent disposition like himself, and requested him as a favor to recommend him for some position where he could do a little fighting. HILLYER was delighted at the opportunity to recommend such a fighting doctor, and at the further suggestion and request of the surgeon promised to get Gen. GRANT's signature to the same. And did, too, Gen. GRANT saying, "I do this, HILLYER, on your recommendation; you know all about the man!" The assurance was given, and the signature was appended. Nothing was heard of the matter again until Gen. GRANT came East, and was in want of a few General officers. On his application Mr. STANTON sent him, among others, Brig.-Gen. ——, the former surgeon. GRANT soon found he could not drill a regiment, and with considerable feeling demanded of Mr. STANTON to know why he had sent him such a man. Mr. STANTON, in reply, showed the recommendation signed U. S. GRANT. There could be no reply, and much mortified GRANT turned away. Since that time recommendations have meant more to him than ever.

ANOTHER REFORM IN THE REPORTS.

There are indications, too, that very early in his administration Gen. GRANT will inaugurate one or two other very needed reforms. In talking with a gentleman to-day upon Cabinet rumors and guesses, he used the expression that there were two points in regard to the Cabinet on which there would be no going astray. "It is positive," he said, "that the whole Cabinet will be composed of practical men, and that they won't write long reports." The first I can readily believe, and it is to be sincerely hoped that the latter part of the clause will prove true. From Administration to Administration the reports, if not the inaugurals, have increased in length; and in the multiplicity of suggestions, theories, &c., advanced, the reports have of late become dissertations on political economy for the edification, rather than actual reports for the guidance, of Congress. An old news collector, who has been stationed here for many years, was to-day deploring the anticipated death of news under GRANT—"for," said he, "everything will be old and official." Yet during the war Gen. GRANT was the most liberal-minded of all the Generals in regard to the recognition of the correspondents' privileges and in furnishing them with information.

GEN. GRANT'S WAY OF SUPPLANTING THE PARTY.

The efforts of the Democratic papers and politicians to excite distrust of Gen. GRANT in the minds of the Republicans are only laughed at here. It is admitted on all sides and by those who know GRANT most intimately, and who have the best opportunities of studying his character carefully, that the unity and prosperity of the Republican Party will not be his primary consideration and most cherished care. While it is certain that he will not go out of the Party for his principal officers, it is equally certain that party influence will not dictate the selection of the strongest man of the Party—that is, the strongest in the partisan sense. Gen. GRANT recognizes—and no one with more unswerving faith—that a party can really be successful only by the success of the Government it administers; and that the party that rules the country wisely and well for the next four years will certainly rule it for many years to come. And it is believed and said, too, that by the vigorous pursuance of this wise and broader policy Gen. GRANT will not only preserve and strengthen the party to which he belongs, but may rule it for four years more, and then dictate the succession.

SOCIAL RELATIONS OF GEN. GRANT AND GEN. BUTLER.

Gen. GRANT and Mrs. GRANT called yesterday on Mrs. BENJAMIN F. BUTLER—not on the General, as the dispatches this morning had it. At the time of the call the General was in the House, speaking on the Army bill, and replying "Yes!" to the query, "Did he mean to nominate Gen. GRANT for the Presidency in 1872?" A singular coincidence, but not at all significant. I learn from good authority that overtures for a social peace and recognition have been persistently made by Butlers for some weeks past, and so importunately that Gen. and Mrs. GRANT have been compelled, for the sake of etiquette, to respond, and hence the visit.

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Special Dispatches to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Friday, Feb. 19.

THE TENURE-OF-OFFICE BILL.

The question of the repeal of the Tenure-of-Office bill comes up to-morrow in the Senate as the unfinished business after the morning hour, when undoubtedly some action will be taken on it before adjournment. The prominent men say that it will be repealed, or, in other words, that the House bill will be agreed to. An effort will be made to so amend the bill as to leave the law substantially as it is, excluding the Cabinet officers only from its operation. But it will hardly be successful. Several Senators conscientiously believe that the bill in question should remain on the statute book, but they are few in number. Nearly all the Southern Senators have expressed themselves in favor of its repeal, and Mr. SUMNER will carry the majority of the New-England votes with him on the same side. Mr. SHERMAN is on record against it, and other Senators who were in doubt until within the last few weeks have announced themselves as averse to its perpetuation. The prediction that it will be repealed altogether is a safe one.

THE ARMY BILL.

The contest on the reduction of the army ended in the House to-day by the defeat of the Butler amendment, accepted by one majority in Committee of the Whole last night, by a vote of 113 to 34, and the adoption of Mr. BLAINE's amendment by a large majority, as printed in this morning's TIMES, which is simply to apply the principle of absorption until the strength of the army is reduced to a certain limit. Under Gen. GRANT as President, this principle will be applied whether Congress authorizes it or not. It has been partially applied already in stopping of enlistments, but in the matter of officers, Mr. JOHNSON's penchant for making new appointments and reinstating dismissed men has been so strong that but little progress has been made. The next annual war report will probably show some progress in this respect.

THE JUDICIARY BILL.

Mr. THURMAN, succeeded this morning in securing thirty or forty minutes' consideration of the bill regulating and reorganizing the judicial system of the United States, which was reported some days ago by the Judiciary Committee of the Senate. The Supreme Court at present consists of one Chief Justice and eight Associate Justices, the United States being divided into nine judicial districts. The law, as it now stands, provides that no vacancy which may occur shall be filled until the number is reduced to six Associate Justices and one Chief Justice. One of the principal ends sought to be attained by the bill now before the Senate, is to relieve the docket by exempting the Associate Justices from Circuit business, a provision in the bill requiring them to go into their districts only once in two years, thus enabling them to attend more closely to Supreme Court business proper. Mr. THURMAN stated to-day that as the docket stands at present, it takes three or four years before a case can be heard in the Supreme Court, which amounts to a virtual denial of justice.

THE INDIAN BUREAU.

The vote by which the Senate this afternoon refused to transfer the Indian Bureau to the War Department must not be regarded as a test one on that question. The reasons assigned by some half a dozen Senators for voting in the negative, and the general feeling evidenced by the Senate when the question was introduced, indicate that the proposition meets with a good deal of favor, and may possibly be adopted during the next Congress. There is another bill before the Senate on this subject which provides for its creation into a separate department, which will also be considered after the 4th of March in any debate which may arise in reference to it.

NO EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Mr. SUMNER made an effort to-day to go into Executive session, which was unsuccessful. He said that Senators knew that very important matters were pending on which it was necessary to have immediate action. He alluded to the Alabama treaty, which was reported yesterday. The debate on this subject is likely to be very interesting and spicy, but there is not any probability that more than half a dozen votes will be cast in favor of its ratification.

THE ILLNESS OF MR. WASHBURNE.

The health of Mr. E. B. WASHBURNE is reported to-day as considerably improved. Your correspondent stated last evening that in consequence of Mr. WASHBURNE's illness Mr. BLAINE became acting Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations and general manager of its business in the House. This was under the impression that Mr. BLAINE stood next on the Committee. But it is Judge SPALDING, of Ohio, who stands second and is now in charge, and who is, since the death of Mr. STEVENS, the only member of the Committee as first formed in the Thirty-ninth Congress.

A CALL OF THE HOUSE.

The House found itself without a quorum this evening and the roll was called. Some very amusing excuses were made by members, but the Sergeant-at-Arms was finally dispatched after the absentees. At 11 o'clock the House was waiting for a quorum, all the doors being locked and exit being denied members. Half a dozen representatives were arrested at Mr. COLFAX's Reception, and brought to the House.

UNITED STATES BONDS.

Gen. SCHENCK sought the floor in the House to-day for the purpose of reporting his bill declaring the principal of United States bonds payable in gold, on which he will speak, but owing to the presence of privileged business he was unable to do so. It will probably come up to-morrow.

A HOME FOR GEN. SHERMAN.

It is reported that the parties having charge of the selection of a home in this city for Gen. SHERMAN, have concluded to take the present house of Gen. GRANT, with its furniture and fixtures, at a price in the neighborhood of $60,000. As every one knows who has ever been inside of it, the house is admirably arranged, and furnished with a degree of taste and elegance highly conducive to domestic comfort. It is with many regrets that Gen. GRANT's family leave it for the less inviting quarters of the White House.

Dispatches to the Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, Friday, Feb. 19.

THE PACIFIC RAILROADS.

A majority of the Senate Committee on Pacific Railroads made a report to-day through Senator SEWARD. (They say when it was determined in Committee to report to the Senate a bill granting aid to the Northern Pacific and other railroads, it was not understood the bill should be presented with a report. The majority of the Committee would now be content to let the bill rest on its intrinsic merits, unaccompanied by an explanation of its provisions and a demonstration of its policy and necessity, were it not for the unexpected appearance, first in the newspaper Press and afterward in the Senate of a most extraordinary paper, entitled "Views of the Minority"—a paper unsound in theory, unfair in its inference and ungenerous and unjust in its imputations. To justify now the action of the majority of the Committee they now report to the Senate the considerations which induced them to adopt the policy of aiding, at the present time, with Government credit the construction of additional lines of trunk railway to the Pacific coast, and second, to vindicate the provisions of the bill which have been criticised by the minority of the Committee in their published views. The majority present arguments and facts as a justification of their action in regard to the general railway policy of the bill and a defence of its leading provisions. They assert that railroads—the highways of nations—are the pioneers of their civilization, and maintain that there is no object to which Government can so profitably apply the expenditure of money as to the building of such highways. These should take precedence over any and all other objects of legislative endowment. The United States own the country between the Pacific and Lake Superior. The work of development is one the Government. The population of the country is to thin and too poor to even undertake it. The work, moreover, is of such magnitude as to be vastly beyond the compass of private capital. It is of absolute necessity the Government shall undertake it and help it through, and this it can do without the expenditure of a dollar in money or at increase of the public debt. To like manner it is manifestly a public duty to utilize the enormous national capital that now lies idle. In the southern region, between the western boundaries of Arkansas and the Pacific boundary of California, there is a vast national domain of coal, which, when the lands in the direction from it come to be profitably cultivated, save for local consumption. Coal abounds in this region. New-Mexico and Arizona are as rich in gold, silver, copper and lead as any other known portions of the world. This wealth is unavailable to the nation by reason of the cost of moving the machinery and materials to it, or of moving the ores to machinery. The pasturage of the two great Territories predominantly fitted for fine-wool sheep and cattle which graze out the Winter, though it is lost to the country for want of cheap and easy access to it. The report that argues that a direct Government aid is bound to improve its assets, that the Government is under obligations to give railroads distant territories; that transcontinental railroads will give us what we cannot give England or France, namely, a class of population by immigration, and that two additional trunk railways to the Pacific are necessary. A majority of the committee feel sure that the most experienced railroad operators in the United States will agree with them in saying that within a year after the Union Pacific is opened, it will be unable to move the freight that will be crowded on its. They argue that a single line will be a monopoly. The South is entitled to a line. The Southern States have the same rights that the Middle or Northern States have. They have the right of access to the Pacific on their parallels of latitude; they have a right to their share of the trade-commercial commerce between Asia and Europe. The State, too, is entitled to a Pacific Railroad. The majority of the Committee insist that additional lines are necessary, to have uninterrupted communication. The Pacific Railroad will settle the Indian question. The locomotive is its sole solution of it. Let the tide of emigration will be gradually settled by taking the buffalo range out from under the savage, and putting a vast stock and grain farm in its place. The railroads to the Pacific surely are a military necessity. The majority of the Committee urge, in view of our commercial relations with China, Japan and India, which are being constantly extended, that it is incumbent upon the Government to afford such sufficient channel of intercommunication as will insure the quickest and cheapest transit to all points of our country, in view of this foreign trade, and to insure, as far as possible, the construction of additional roads at the earliest practicable period. The majority of the Committee discuss at length the saving of treasure that two transcontinents would effect, and show additional lines would otherwise pay the nation. The North Pacific Railroad will acquire for us the British possessions; the South Pacific Railroad will annex Northern Mexico, and make the guarantee of the interest upon road's bonds perfectly safe.

SPANGLER AND ARNOLD.

Mr. PHILLIPS called up the application for *habeas corpus* in behalf of SPANGLER and ARNOLD, prisoners at the Dry Tortugas. On the statement of the Attorney-General that he was not ready to go on, the argument was adjourned to Friday next, the Court directing attention to the effect of the act of 1867, on jurisdiction.

THE RELEASE OF BRITISH PRISONERS.

Mr. THORNTON, British Minister, this afternoon communicated to Secretary SEWARD the following dispatch from the British Government:

"Inform Mr. SEWARD that orders have been given for the release from further custody of COSTELLO and WARREN."

THE DEMPSEY-DUNCAN CASE.

Several days ago Mr. DEMPSEY, of the firm of DEMPSEY & O'TOOLE, who attacked Gen. DUNCAN, Assistant Commissioner of Patents, on account of something the latter reported disparaging to the former in the Department of the Interior—stationery contracts with that firm—appeared before a Magistrate, acknowledged his assault on Mr. DUNCAN, and was fined $5. This action on the part of the Magistrate was urged by Mr. DEMPSEY's counsel as a reason why the Criminal Court should not proceed against the defendant; but Judge FISHER overruled the plea, and after examination of witnesses, fined Mr. DEMPSEY $200, with ten days' imprisonment in jail, as a punishment for the assault on Mr. DUNCAN.

UNDERWORTHY VERSUS A

The United States Consul at San Juan, Porto Rico, has reported the arrival at that port of the brig *Caroline B. Kelley*, of Portland, laden with sugar, on a voyage from Matanzas to Philadelphia. The cargo had been discharged and the vessel condemned. He has also reported the arrival at Ponce of the schooner *George Henry*, of Plymouth, from Boston, laden with provisions, and that she has also been condemned.

AN AMERICAN VESSEL LOST.

The United States Consul at Gibraltar has reported to the Department of State the arrival there of the master and crew of the schooner *Augusta*, of Brooksville, Me., on board of the British bark *Aalia*. The *Augusta* was bound from Bangor for Martinique, laden with lumber, was dismantled in a hurricane, and became water-logged, when the officers and crew were taken off by the *Aalia* and brought into Gibraltar.

PASSPORTS FOR AMERICANS ABROAD.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON, Feb. 19, 1869.

Information has been received at the Department of State that the exhibition of passports will be no longer exacted from citizens of the United States arriving, traveling or residing in France. The Minister of France has instructed his officers of the United States traveling abroad, especially those of foreign birth, naturalized in this country, should provide themselves with them, as they might be liable to serious inconvenience if unprovided with such authentic proof of their national character.

WILLIAM H. SEWARD.

OUR COMMERCE WITH CUBA.

The following correspondence has just taken place, namely:

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 17, 1869.

Hon. W. H. Seward, Secretary of State:

SIR: As American citizens we ask special protection for our commerce and property in the waters of Cuba in the harbors of Tunas, Trinidad, and Cienfuegos. We own a large amount of property, ships and on shore in those parts, and if the Admiral is advised to extend to us the protection which he is able to afford American interests in the region now specially exposed to danger, the magnitude of our interests in Cuba is shown by the fact that our firm paid last year over $100,000 in duties, and $70,000 of the duty collected at this port. Yours very truly,

SAMUEL AND WILLIAM WELSH.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON, Feb. 18, 1869.

Messrs. Samuel and William Welsh, Philadelphia:

GENTLEMEN: I have received your letter of yesterday's date, in which, as citizens of the United States, you make a request for the protection of your commerce and property on the south side of the Island of Cuba, in the harbors of Tunas, Trinidad and Cienfuegos. I appreciate the anxiety which you, in common with the other merchants, have manifested in this matter at the present time, and since the receipt of your letter I have conferred with the Secretary of the Navy, who informs me that at least one-half the vessels under command Admiral Rodgers are now in Cuban waters, and the Admiral has of late been fully and frequently instructed to be vigilant and active in extending every proper protection to American interests in the regions indicated, to which are supposed to be especially exposed to danger.

I am, gentlemen, your obedient servant,

WILLIAM H. SEWARD.

DECISIONS IN THE SUPREME COURT.

In the Supreme Court to-day, in the case of The County of Dougla, plaintiff in error, vs. The State of Oregon, in error to the State Court of the State of Oregon, it was ordered by the Court that judgment of said Supreme Court in this cause be affirmed, with costs, pursuant to the decision of counsel on file.

The United States, Plaintiff in Error, vs. Jefferson Davis. Certificate of division in opinion between Chief Justice Chase and Judge Underwood, of the Circuit Court of the District of Virginia. On motion of Attorney General Evarts it was ordered by the Court that these certificates of division be dismissed.

John S. Johnson et al., Appellants, vs. The United States. This case was argued by Mr. Evarts for the appellees, and Mr. Dick of counsel for the appellants, and by Mr. Talbot for the appellees. This case involves 2,000 barrels of spirits valued at $40,000, which were seized on the alleged ground of fraud.

Suits were entered in New-York, Buffalo, Chicago and Dubuque.

FORTIETH CONGRESS.

THIRD SESSION.

SENATE.....WASHINGTON, Friday, Feb. 19.

MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS AND BILLS.

Mr. STEWART, from the majority of the Committee on the Pacific Railroad, submitted a report in opposition to the views of the minority on the Omnibus Railroad bill lately reported.

THE GENERAL OF THE ARMY.

Mr. WILSON introduced a bill to repeal the act fixing the headquarters of the General of the Army at Washington, requiring all orders of the President and Secretary of War to be issued by him, and in case of his inability, by the next in rank, and providing that he shall not be relieved from command, or assigned to duty elsewhere except at his request, without the approval of the Senate, and that all contrary orders shall be null and void.

CONGRESSIONAL PRINTING.

Mr. ANTHONY, from the Committee on Printing, made a report on the subject of Reporting and printing the debates, and said he would ask the Senate to consider it to-morrow. He also made a report from the same Committee upon the policy of continuing the publication by Congress of other public documents than those connected directly with or forming a part of Congressional proceedings.

PEONAGE IN NEW-MEXICO.

Mr. POMEROY introduced a bill to abolish and forever prohibit peonage in New-Mexico.

UNCERNED LAND SALES.

Mr. WILLIAMS, from the Committee on Public Lands, reported a bill for the sale of the Hot Springs in Arkansas.

ADMIRAL FARRAGUT'S FLEET.

Mr. GRIMES called up the bill in relation to the captures made by Admiral FARRAGUT's fleet in the Mississippi River in 1862. In reply to a question by Mr. TRUMBULL, he said that the bill did not give the officers or men of the fleet anything more than they would be entitled to under existing laws, but would have merely a technical effect. The bill was passed.

Mr. GRIMES then called up the bill to suppress the officers and crew of the Hartford for the destruction of the rebel rams. It gives to Commander WIDLOW and his crew $150,000.

On motion of Mr. SUMNER a bill was passed authorizing Commodore FINELAND, of the navy, to accept a gold medal from the Emperor of France.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA COURTS.

Mr. TRUMBULL, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported, with amendments, the bill defining the general terms and acts of the Circuit Court of the District, and Criminal Courts of the District of Columbia to be terms and acts of the Supreme Court of the District. The amendments consist of additional sections, providing for the appointment of an additional Associate Justice for said Court, and that whenever, at any term, the Court shall be equally divided in opinion, either in the court may demand a rehearing before the five Justices, and that the process shall be by the Circuit Court shall be executed by the Marshal of said District.

APPROPRIATION BILL SERIES.

Mr. POMEROY, from the Committee on Public Lands, reported back, with an amendment, the bill providing for the sale of public lands, and relating to the location of Agricultural College scrip. He amended the bill provides simply that all such scrip shall be received from actual settlers, in payment of preemption claims, in the same manner as is now authorized by law in the case of military bounty land warrants.

Also, adversely to the House bill to declare forfeited to the United States certain lands granted in aid of the construction of railroads in Mississippi, Louisiana and Florida.

PATENT REPORTS.

Mr. FERRY, from the Committee on Patents, reported adversely the bill to repeal the sixteenth section of the act of March 3, 1861, relating to patents for inventions and discoveries previously patented abroad.

THE JUDICIAL SYSTEM.

Mr. THURMBULL called up the bill to reorganize the judicial system of the United States. (An abstract of the bill was given in THE TIMES days ago.) It fixes the number of Judges of the United States Supreme Court at nine, and provides for the appointment of Circuit Judges to perform the Circuit duties now performed by the Judge of the Supreme Court, but requires that each of the latter shall do Circuit duty for at least one district at two terms in each year.

Mr. EDMUNDS began a speech in opposition to the provision of the bill for Circuit, but was interrupted by the expiration of the morning hour, which brought up the unfinished business.

Mr. TRUMBULL asked Mr. MORRILL, in charge of the Appropriation bill, to consent to let the temporary postponement, so that the bill to reorganize the judicial system might be disposed of, but Mr. EDMUNDS objected, because he was pledged to see whether some action could not be had on the Tenure-of-Office bill as soon as the Senate could have resumed the consideration of the Appropriation bill.

THE PACIFIC RAILROADS.

On motion of Mr. HOWARD, who stated that during the short remainder of the session the Committee on Pacific Railroads would be busy upon them, the Committee on Pacific Railroads were discharged from the further consideration of bills in aid of the following railroad enterprises, viz.: The Southern Pacific of Texas, the Union Pacific, northern branch; the Lawrence, Kansas and Gulf; the Pacific and Arizona; the Atlantic and Pacific; the Superior and Puget Sound, the Idaho, Oregon and Puget Sound; the Mississippi Pacific, from Cairo to the Rio Grande; the Atlantic and California Thirty-second Parallel, from Cape Girardeau, Missouri, to Texas. Also, from the Committee on Commerce, the House bills extending the time for the completion of the Dubuque and Sioux City Railroad; the bill relating to the Pacific Railroad of Missouri; the bill relating to Pacific Railroads, which direct the use of American iron in their construction, namely, that American iron must be used also in repairing and renewing the roads, and the bill to amend the act providing for the appointment of a Board of Commissioners to establish a tariff of prices for the transportation of freight and passengers on the Pacific Railroads and branches.

THE INDIAN APPROPRIATION BILL.

The Indian Appropriation bill was then taken up, and several additional amendments, proposed by the Committee on Indian Affairs, were adopted.

Mr. STEWART offered as an additional section, the bill which lately passed the House, transferring the control of the Indian Bureau to the War Department, and made a brief speech in favor of the transfer.

Mr. MORRILL, of Maine, said that if this bill were to be attached to the Appropriation bill, the effect would be to sink the latter for this session.

Mr. STEWART did not believe that his amendment would delay action at all upon the Appropriation bill, because it was not a new and unconsidered proposition, but one which had been recommended by the President elect, and other high army officers, and had met the approval of the House.

Messrs. MORRILL and POMEROY objected to the Senator from Nevada attempting to influence the action of the Senate, by citing the action of the House.

Mr. MORTON said that without expressing any opinion as to the merits of the amendment of the Senator from Nevada, he would vote against it, because he thought it ought not to be proposed in this place and at this time.

Mr. HOWARD thought it very appropriately offered as an additional section of the Indian appropriation bill, and said that although he had before voted against the proposed transfer, he had since obtained further light on the subject, and would now vote for it.

Mr. CONKLING said that it was entirely in order to mention in the Senate the fact that the House had already acted upon the proposition, and also that he was himself in favor of the transfer of the Indian Bureau to the War Department.

Mr. HENDRICKS was opposed to the transfer. He thought Indian agents generally just as honest as our soldiers, and he was doubtful if it would be predicted that if the transfer were made the War Department would cost six times as much as it does now.

Mr. SPRAGUE took the same view. He believed that the radical defect was in the system of dealing with the Indians—a defect which could not be remedied by any transfer of the Indian Bureau, however honest. The proposed transfer was wrong in principle. The business of the State Department or the Treasury Department might be transferred to the War Department with as much propriety as the business of the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

The amendment of Mr. STEWART was then rejected by a vote of 36 nays to 9 yeas, the yeas being Messrs. Anthony, Conkling, Edmunds, Grimes, Harris, Howe, Morgan and Stewart.

The Appropriation bill was then passed.

THE TENURE-OF-OFFICE BILL.

On motion of Mr. EDMUNDS, the bill to repeal the Tenure-of-Office act was then taken up, whereupon, at 4:45 o'clock, the Senate adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Mr. REYNOLDS presented the resolutions of the Assembly of the State of New-York asking Congress to pension the surviving soldiers of the War of 1812.

Mr. VAN WYCK presented similar resolutions.

Also the petition of a thousand citizens of Newburg, N. Y., in favor of an amendment to the Constitution of the United States so as to acknowledge Almighty God as the source of all authority and power in civil government; the Lord Jesus Christ as the ruler among nations, and the Bible as a supreme authority.

AMERICAN SHIPPING.

Mr. O'NEILL presented resolutions of the Philadelphia Board of Trade, praying Congress to secure to American shipping in Spanish ports an equalization of tonnage dues and port charges with those imposed on the shipping of the most favored nations.

THE ARMY BILL.

The House then took up the amendments reported from the Committee of the Whole on the Army Appropriation bill. All the amendments reducing the ordinary appropriations were agreed to.

Mr. KELLEY, having ten minutes allowed him, expressed his acknowledgments to Mr. BUTLER, of Massachusetts, for the great information contained in his speech of Wednesday night; but bill he preferred that of the gentleman from Ohio, to which Gen. GRANT had referred, and which had been reported by Mr. BUTLER. His faith in the capacity, integrity and purpose of Gen. GRANT equaled that of practically expressed by the gentleman from Massachusetts, and he was therefore indignant to vote against a measure that would seem to imply a lack of confidence in Gen. GRANT. He, too, wanted the supernumerary officers of the army mustered out, but he wanted them to be worthless officers, or those who may be summoned by death. He appealed to the Republican Party in Congress to show its trusted and tried leader to Gen. GRANT, and not to deprive him of power to secure his great aspiration. "Let us have peace." Leave to him, he said, the power to retain soldiers enough to make the carpet-bagger's life safe in the wilds of Texas; and the life of the hardy pioneer on the Plains; he said he would be in his New-England or Pennsylvania home.

Mr. BLAINE appealed to the House not to agree to the amendments striking out the item of $240,000 for military surveys; reducing the appropriation for the Rock Island Arsenal and Arsenal from one million to five hundred thousand, or to the amendment of Mr. BUTLER, of Massachusetts, for the reduction of the army.

The Rock Island item provoked a rapid and heated discussion, such as it usually does provoke whenever the subject comes up. It was participated in by Messrs. BLAINE, LOGAN, PARKER, PERLEE, HARPER, FARNSWORTH, and others. In the midst of the discussion on Rock Island, Mr. BUTLER, of Massachusetts, obtained the floor, and made a fleet appeal to the House in favor of his amendment for the reduction of the army. He characterized the amendment offered by Mr. BLAINE as a delusion. It only provided for contingencies as officers were reduced by death or Governmental. There would not be, by it, a single dollar saved, a single servant cut off; but the gentleman from Pennsylvania, (Mr. KELLEY,) a new recruit, came here like princing and told the House that it must trust Gen. GRANT. The difficulty was that the amendment proposed by the gentleman from Maine did not trust Gen. GRANT. Under it he could not muster out a single officer. The only trust they would have to get rid of an officer would be in Almighty God to bring him to an end, for he would not resign. (Laughter.) The gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. KELLEY) said that a large standing army was necessary in order to keep the peace; but if they name the policy, the moral power of the election of Gen. GRANT would not keep the peace in Texas. An army organized over that country would be of no avail. There was not going to be any organized opposition to an organized government, but stealthy murder, not in the presence of the soldiers, but behind their backs. Another fact was, that one-fourth of all the United States soldiers in Texas were Ex-Confederate soldiers recruited from the Confederate army, and they were not to be relied upon in any question between their old brethren in arms and citizens of the United States. To go the argument that the army would decrease by natural causes, he remarked that in Texas that there was a school at West Point which turned out officers for the army as fast as officers died. The argument also had been made that members did not know anything at the subject, and that therefore they must turn the matter over to Gen. GRANT. In reply to that he would say, the Constitution gave it to the representatives of the people. Any gentleman who says he does not understand it had better learn as to home; he has no business here. It is his duty to understand it. We have no business to come hither if we do not know how to do the duties which the Constitution devolves upon us. The Constitution sends us here to legislate, not to take the *ipse dixit* of any man. Here is a case of economy. Here is a saving of thirty millions of taxes. Let us see whether this talk of economy, this kicking of some poor claimants, this overthrowing of some small appropriations for some public work is to occupy our time, while this great work is to have the go-by.

Mr. BLAINE, of Maine, made an earnest appeal to the House against the adoption of Mr BUTLER's amendment. He hoped the House would not vote to deprive Gen. SHERMAN of the chance to attain the rank of General of the Army; and that it would not deprive Gens. SHERIDAN or THOMAS of the chance to attain the grade of Lieutenant-General; and that it would not render necessary the mustering-out of Gens. MEADE or HANCOCK as Major-Generals. That would be the effect of the adoption of the amendment. He admitted that there was much in the amendment that was meritorious, but there were provisions in it which he thought the House would not approve. The amendment which he (Mr. BLAINE) had moved just tied up the army so that there should be no appointments or promotions until Congress could take hold of the whole question; and, by this means, under the Administration of Gen. GRANT the army could be very rapidly reduced. In conclusion, he asked consent to modify his amendment.

Mr. BUTLER objected.

Mr. BLAINE—I only want to perfect my amendment.

Mr. BUTLER—You cannot perfect anything that is bad all over.

Mr. BLAINE went on to say that under his plan the process of reduction would begin the moment the bill was approved. It was safe, sound and wise to take this step, but it was difficult to go beyond it.

Mr. BOYER asked unanimous consent to offer an amendment directing the Secretary of War to consolidate the Quartermaster's Department, the Commissary Department and the Pay Department into one department, to be called the Department of Supply.

Mr. HOOPER objected.

The Rock Island appropriation was still further debated by Messrs. LOGAN and PRUYN in favor of it, and Mr. MAYNARD against it. Finally the debate ended, and the House proceeded to vote on the various amendments.

The amendment striking out the sum for military surveys was agreed to; the amendment reducing the Rock Island appropriation from $1,000,000 to $500,000, was disagreed to—yeas 79, nays 90—and the appropriation remains at $1,000,000.

The question was then taken on the substitute offered last night by Mr. BLAINE for the conjoined amendments of

NEW PUBLICATIONS.

CHINA AND THE CHINESE. By Rev. JOHN L. NEVIUS. (New-York: HARPER & BROTHERS, 1869.)

Six hundred years ago, when MARCO POLO gave the world his experiences in Cathay, China came before the mind of Europe with all the vividness of a new discovery. Astounded by his statements as to the wealth, extent and population of that far-off land, the people of that day refused to believe him, and gave him the sobriquet of "Marco Millione," because he dealt in large numbers. His book has sufficient credit, nevertheless, to stimulate the efforts of Portuguese navigators to double the Cape of Good Hope and compel COLUMBUS to attempt to reach the Indies by crossing the Western Ocean. Nearer to our own time it kindled the fancy of COLERIDGE and inspired that wonderful fragment entitled "Kubla Khan," the most melodious dream that ever warbled from the lips of a sleeping poet.

The old Venetian was neither dreaming nor romancing when he dealt in millions, as he dilated on the wonders of Cathay. Like all great objects, China has lost nothing of its real grandeur or solid interest by being better known. Its great rivers and canals, not surpassed or even equaled by those of our own country; its thousands of cities inclosed by massive walls of brick or stone, and, above all, the great wall of the north, at once a boundary of the Empire and a feature on the face of the globe; its boundless coal fields and its inexhaustible mines of the precious and useful metals—these all fill us with astonishment to-day as they did the Venetian and Arab travelers of an earlier age. And how can we fail to admire the opulence of that vast region which yields such rich commodities for the supply of our growing commerce? Or how can we cease to wonder at the numbers of its teeming population, and to inquire by what system of economy they are enabled to live together and to prosper? When we cast our eyes back to their antiquity the marvel increases. Taking its rise at a period coeval with the Pyramids, China stands there a human pyramid, apparently indestructible by the ravages of time. By what political or moral elixir have the Chinese been able to prolong their national life, while Egyptians, Chaldeans and Assyrians have been buried in the dust of ages?

Mr. NEVIUS' book will help us to understand these problems. It furnishes such information as our legislators need when, discussing the question of suffrage, they are disposed to class the Chinese with the savages of our Western Territories; such information as our merchants need when they desire to study the institutions and resources of a country in which they are now so largely interested; and such information as the religious public are in need of, when they consider the prospects of Christian missions in the far East.

The two grandest achievements of American enterprise have a reference to China—that magnificent line of steamers which bridges the Pacific and brings her people to our shores, and that railway, one division of which is being built by Chinese hands, and which, when completed, will bring China within five weeks of our Eastern coast. All classes of our people are accordingly interested in obtaining reliable and accurate information in regard to a country with which we are brought into such close relations.

In order to furnish this kind of information, it is indispensable that the author should spend a large part of his life there, become acquainted with the spoken dialects and the learned language, and travel or reside in the interior as well as visit the cities of the sea-coast. All this and more Mr. NEVIUS has done. During a residence of ten years, he divided his time between the South and the North, the interior and the seaports of China, and in addition to this saw enough of the Japanese to enable him to draw a just parallel between those interesting islanders and their continental neighbors.

The time has passed for us to be satisfied with such books as *Six Months in China, A Visit to the Open Ports*, and the jottings of transient tourists. Now that the whole country is thrown open to our inspection we cannot be content with anything less than an inside view of the social life of the Chinese, such as DOOLITTLE gives us; or a panorama of the country and its inhabitants, such as Mr. NEVIUS has drawn in the volume before us.

In style plain but not dull, this little work is too full of facts to require the embellishments of fancy; still we should have liked to see in it a little more of that glow and animation which the subject is fitted to inspire.

We have no room for extended extracts, but cannot refrain from adverting to one or two passages.

The statement that "the only member of the human race who has attained to universal fame was a Chinese," is somewhat startling, but it is true. The philosophers and heroes of the West are not generally known to the people of Eastern Asia, but the name of CONFUCIUS is familiar as a household word in both hemispheres.

In return for the ridicule which we are accustomed to heap on them, our author tells us of the estimate in which the Chinese have learned to hold us:

"They enjoy a great deal of pleasantry at our expense, and laugh at our short-cropped hair, our tight clothing, ungraceful and uncomfortable looking dresses, our iron-sided leather boots, our stiff hats, the wage-system of our laboring classes, our ignorance of the world and large scope, our supposed passion, our ignorance of the general spice of propriety, and the strange custom of men and women walking together in public arm-in-arm."

But they have graver charges to bring against us than these errors of taste. "They think they have evidence that we are inferior to them in intellectuality, in refinement, in civilization and especially in morals."

That "evidence," as it appears to a Chinese mind, Mr. NEVIUS sums up in a very striking manner, and after passing in review the unjust wars and the immoral traffic in opium, through which Europeans are chiefly known to the Chinese, he exclaims: "Is it strange that with such facts as these forced upon their attention, the Chinese should come to the conclusion that, as a race, we are ambitious, unscrupulous, violent, covetous and licentious?"

No one can read this book, notwithstanding their unfavorable opinion of us, without thinking better of the Chinese. He will be surprised to learn that they anticipated us in many useful arts and some superstitions. Printing, gunpowder and the magnetic needle played an important part in their world before they dawned on Europe. The philosopher's stone was sought for in China before the people of the West began to dream of it; and among them planchette and Spiritualism were played ten ages ago, though they are just now beginning to excite the brains of us slow occidentals. In their domestic life they are able to teach us lessons of filial piety and fraternal love; while that system of examinations by which the ablest men are raised to office can boast of some decided advantages as compared with the haf-hazard method in vogue among us. Essentially a democratic institution, it acts in China as a counterpoise to the arbitrary power of the Crown, and, if grafted on our own Constitution, it might serve to check the growing abuses of Executive patronage.

Mr. NEVIUS errs in overestimating the population of the great cities of China, and he falls into a rather serious mistake as to the age of the *Lohs*, or Book of Rites, which was not, as he assumes, compiled before the time of CONFUCIUS, but some 400 years after. That certain treatises are contained in this collection is therefore no proof that they were not from the pen of CONFUCIUS.

On the whole, this work supplies a want and supplies it well, by giving us an entertaining and instructive account of the present state of the Chinese Empire. Its clear type and numerous engravings are among the least of its merits.

CHARLES READE'S NOVELS. Boston: FIELDS, OSGOOD & CO.

This edition of CHARLES READE'S novels is somewhat similar in style to the well-known "Charles Dickens" series, issued by the same firm. The volumes are all neatly bound, well printed, and compact, with the fac simile signature of CHARLES READE prominently displayed on the outside. We are glad to welcome such an acceptable addition to the American library of modern English literature. After DICKENS, no English author of the day appeals so directly to all branches of the English-speaking race as CHARLES READE. Although most of his works are intensely English in local coloring, his hatred of class injustice, of petty social spites and prejudices, of official wrongs and abuses, and his warm sympathy with all the fresh and true impulses and instincts of humanity, secure for his works appreciative readers wherever the English language is spoken. Literary purists may occasionally be offended at his affected eccentricity of style, his typographical "sensations," and his marvelous punctuation—looking as if hyphens, brackets, commas, semi-colons, and full stops had all got wildly intoxicated and lost all sense of their own identity and general propriety, but these matters go for little in comparison with the sterling merits of his works, and the earnest spirit of philanthropy by which many of them are inspired. Putting their literary merits aside, the practical good done by Mr. READE, in the way of reforming official abuses, and mercilessly holding up to ridicule all forms of social oppression—for social oppression is exercised in England at the present day almost as strongly, and is probably felt more painfully than it was in the days of feudalism—give their author a far higher position than any to be obtained by mere literary genius or dramatic skill. *Never Too Late to Mend*, for example, is in itself a work of fiction of the highest order, stamped throughout by unquestionable marks of great imaginative power, richness of fanciful illustration, and a subtle knowledge of the inner workings of the human heart, while at the same time there is no doubt that in publishing that work CHARLES READE wrought a great social reform in exposing the tyranny and cruelty of the English prison system, and is just as much deserving of gratitude as if he had carried it through in Parliament, with all the "pomp and circumstance" of political warfare, and gained the *prestige* attaching to enlightened and successful statesmanship. Authors of his kind are rare in these days, and their influence for good can scarcely be overestimated. *Homo sum, nihil humanum alienum a me puto*, interpreted in its best sense, may be said to be CHARLES READE'S motto. He has been charged with carrying this principle too far, and with too great leniency in the treatment of characters of his own who have offended against even a somewhat low standard of morality. But we fancy that in many cases he is misunderstood, and that in others he has simply been carried away for the time by the warmth of his indignation against the social injustice to which persons once betrayed into crime or an offence against rigid laws of morality are too often subjected at the hands of others who, in virtue of having kept the eleventh commandment—"Thou shalt not be found out"—cloak their own vices under the mask of austere morality and righteous detestation of their erring brethren. CHARLES READE'S works all deserve the widest circle of readers, within whose reach they can be bought, and we are glad to find that the task of placing them before the American public in a tasteful and convenient library form has been undertaken, and so well executed, by those so thoroughly qualified for carrying it out, as the publishers of the present series.

INDIANA.

Crime in Indiana—The Glenn Trial—The Cerwin Murder—Legislative Proceedings—The Hughes Bill—The Weather and Crops.

From Our Own Correspondent.

LAFAYETTE, Ind., Saturday, Feb. 13, 1869.

It is not in New-York alone that the increasing boldness of the criminal and blood-thirsty element of the population fills the peaceable citizens with alarm and with the firm conviction that the most energetic steps must be taken to put a stop to the carnival of murder and bloodshed. In Indiana, too, for the past two months, an unparalleled number of atrocious murders has been committed, and few or none of the criminals have been brought to justice. The murderous deeds of the Jackson County Regulators are still unpunished, and the authorities have not even succeeded in ferreting out the names of the men who headed that lawless mob in the attack upon the jail at New-Albany. The incendiaries who, on the 26th of December last, laid a large portion of the thriving town of Crawfordsville in ashes in order to conceal the murder of an influential farmer, named LAFOLLETTE, whom they had killed for the purpose of robbing him of the $3,000 or $4,000 which he carried in his pocket, still bid defiance to justice. The brutal assassination committed by a desperado at Versailles has not even led to the apprehension of the murderer. SANDERSON, the fiend who murdered nearly the whole WOODWARD family, had not been captured yet. YAMAMAN, who has recently confessed that, at his own wedding banquet, he tried to poison all the guests on account of the resistance which a few of them had offered to a union with his newly-wedded wife, and who thus brought about the death of his young sister-in-law and the dangerous illness of several other relatives of his, it is thought will hardly be convicted under our present criminal laws. Mrs. OLER, whose second trial is now going on at Indianapolis, has still some prospects of securing an acquittal, although there are very few people aware of all the facts connected with the assassination of JACOB YOUNG and his poor wife, at Cold Spring, near Indianapolis, on the 15th day of September last, but believe that she played a leading part in that terrible tragedy. One hundred and fifty witnesses have been subpœnaed for the State, and one hundred and thirteen for the defence, so that the trial will last at least three weeks, and the jury wearied to death both physically and mentally, bewildered as it, moreover, will be by the mass of contradictory evidence and the gross perjury which, as at the former trial, is certain to be resorted to again, and by the impressive appeals of the lawyers on both sides, will hardly be at the close of the trial in the condition to give a fair and sensible verdict.

THE CORWIN MURDER.

It is but a few hours since your correspondent saw the blood-stained remains of THEODORE F. CORWIN, a railroad conductor, who had been cruelly murdered on Thursday night, and heard the heart-rending wails of his poor young wife, whom he had left flushed with health and happiness but three hours before the unknown assassin shot him down. The details of this dreadful murder, which has created a great sensation throughout Northern Indiana, are as follows: As the accommodation train going east on the Wabash Valley Railroad was about leaving Peru on Thursday evening, shortly after 8 o'clock, a man was discovered in one of the freight cars. Mr. CORWIN, the conductor, spoke to him, when the man exclaimed, "Don't you know me?" "No, I don't," replied the conductor. "Come nearer, then, and take a better look," said the man. As Mr. CORWIN did so, raising his lamp a little so as to throw the light on his face, the man drew a navy revolver and fired four shots, the first of which only took effect. It struck CORWIN in the breast, and passed entirely through his body, each twenty grains of powder, fired at close range, being in the revolver. The wounded man, who had served three years in the Fourth Indiana Cavalry, drew his pistol and discharged two barrels at his assailant, and, grappling with the ruffian, (who fired the two remaining charges at him without effect,) threw him to the ground and kicked him two or three times in the face, but failed to stun or disable him, and in the darkness he managed to make good his escape. THEODORE CORWIN died three hours afterward. The murderer, who is supposed to be a man named DUBBIN, was pursued in all directions, but as this written he has not been apprehended yet.

LEGISLATIVE PROCEEDINGS.

The proceedings of the Legislature during the past week have been very interesting, though nothing of very great importance has been accomplished up to this time. The fund of the Gunpowder and their adversaries among the Republican members of the Legislature, which, it was feared, would lead to further trouble, seems very fortunately to have died away entirely, and the reflection of Mr. A. H. COBURN, who was voted for both by the friends and opponents of Lieut.-Gov. OSBORN to the much-coveted position of Secretary of State Pritchard, it is believed has entirely restored the harmony and good feeling between the two wings of the Republicans in the Indiana Legislature. The so-called Coffroth bill, providing for the introduction of the German language as a branch of study in the public schools of those districts in which the German element is most strongly represented, and in which a certain number of citizens express the desire that the German language be taught in the schools, led to a long and excited debate, and the measure has not yet been finally disposed of. In view of the strength and importance of the German element in this State, and the desire very generally entertained by the people of Indiana that effective steps should be taken to encourage German emigration to this State, it is difficult to see what reasonable objections could be raised to the Coffroth bill—the more so as most of our leading German citizens have for several years past desired the adoption of a similar measure, as best calculated to attract German settlers to this State. A motion to reimburse certain members of the State militia, who had been prosecuted by ANDREW HUMPHREYS and other leading Sons of Liberty for assisting in their apprehension in 1864, and preventing them from kindling the flames of civil war in Indiana, for the expenses incurred in consequence of those prosecutions, gave rise to a stormy debate, in the course of which the Democratic leaders again took occasion to identify their cause with that of the Sons of Liberty of 1864, and to show afresh that, like the Bourbons, they are unable to learn anything and forget anything. The principal legislative sensation of the week, however, was Senator HUGHES' bill concerning the consolidation of the educational institutions of the State, and by virtue of which the State University at Bloomington, the Normal School at Terre Haute, the Medical School at Indianapolis and the Agricultural College in Tippecanoe County, instead of being, as heretofore, separate institutions, are to become only different branches of one great State Academy. Up to the present time local jealousies had frequently exercised a very injurious influence upon the development of some of the above-mentioned educational establishments, and the same cause had hitherto also prevented our people from reaping any benefit whatever from the liberal Congressional endowment of the Agricultural College. It is true, the Hughes bill is objected to on the ground that it is a mere compromise between the towns which have hitherto been rivals, and which are united now in order to mutually support each other in trying to obtain certain advantages from the State; but, inasmuch as it is evident that this arrangement, no matter by what means it may have been brought about, is sure to add to the efficiency and prosperity of the most important educational institutions of Indiana, and will confer, in consequence, a great benefit upon the people of the whole State, it is to be hoped that the Hughes bill will be passed. It will certainly mark an epoch in the educational history of Indiana. The adoption of a motion that the Legislature should declare itself against the repurchase of the Wabash and Erie Canal has blighted the hopes of many sanguine lobbyists at Indianapolis.

THE WEATHER AND CROPS.

For the past three days Northern Indiana has enjoyed the sunniest, balmiest Spring weather. Our delight over these May days in the early part of February was not entirely marred with serious apprehensions as to the effect they would produce upon the crops. A great many fruit trees have commenced budding; and as there is, of course, still a good deal of cold weather in store for us, a great many experienced farmers think that we shall have to pay for these too mild and beautiful days with an entire failure of the fruit crop. B. C.

Bridging the East River—Objections and How to Meet Them.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Much has been said and written upon this subject, and yet the public mind does not appear to be fully settled. Why? Because, to say nothing of the "pullings and haulings" of the various private and speculative interests, there are great and important principles and interests involved which are not met.

One is, to have a structure of such permanent, safe, and durable character as to give implicit confidence in its use.

Another is, to construct it in such shape and manner, and locate it in such a position, as to give the greatest average accommodation.

Another is, with the least cost and the least interference with other interests.

The most formidable public objection to any bridge other than a single suspension arch, is the obstruction of the navigation. Is this as great, after all, as is generally supposed? The present plan of the Bridge Company, it is understood, contemplates a single span of about 1,600 feet. Suppose this was divided into three by placing two piers in the river. Oh! you say. That won't do! But let's look at it a little. When we consider that in these days of improvement almost all classes of sailing craft, especially the larger kind, are now towed up and down by steamtugs, the objection to piers is really far less than we have supposed.

The company plan of a single suspension arch does not appear to give full confidence of stability, and it not only interferes terribly with private and public interests on the land on both sides of the river, but its approaches are of a very roundabout character; and its aggregate cost, including that of the above interests, is immense.

Now let us outline another plan. Suppose we build an abutment at or near the end of the first wharf, adjoining the south side of the ferry slip, at the foot of Montague-street, Brooklyn, 150 feet high above the high tide level, and in the river, say 800 feet distant, (more or less,) build a pier of nearly the same height, then build a line of piers, about the above average distance apart, and of such diminishing heights as will carry the landing of the bridge to the level of South-street, at the south side of the ferry landing, at the foot of Wall-street, New-York. The distance is so great on this line that the grade would be easy.

Montague-street, Brooklyn, rises with an easy grade from Court-street to Clinton-street, and less by about five feet from thence to Henry-street. Suppose we take the line of rise from Court to Clinton and it will reach very near, if not quite, to the height of the above first-named abutment at the ferry. This line of rise from Clinton-street, following the present roadway of Montague-street, will reach about ten or twelve feet (more or less) above the present grade of Hicks-street, then diverge gradually to the left so as to clear the ferry roadway, and reach a small abutment which will be needed at the edge of the hill, of height corresponding with the large one at the ferry, and the above line of grade. All of the removal of buildings, and other interference with real estate in Brooklyn, would be but a mere trifle compared with that of the Company plan, and nothing in New-York, and the access to the bridge at both ends would be easy and convenient to the great business centres.

The first arch on the Brooklyn side would be high enough for the largest ships, ("with royal masts struck,") and the other arches for the various other mixed craft, and all could be easily [illegible] by steam tugs, or even [illegible] with a fair wind. The location of this bridge would be much better for navigation and also for the ferry interests than the other, especially in Winter, when there is ice, which is the great cause of the demand for any bridge.

The flood tide of the East River meets the flood tide of Long Island Sound at "Whitestone," near Throg's Neck. The ice, taking with it the flood tide, that is now carried as far as Hell Gate, and returning with the ebb, and whatever the river both empty by being stopped at the bridge, it would leave the river above, for the ferries and other purposes, and on the ebb tide would pass off much further out of the way than at present. In this respect this bridge would be of great advantage.

This, of course, is only a cursory glance of general principles, which, if they meet with favor, can be enlarged upon to any necessary extent of detail.

I would, however, remark further that the piers would to some extent check the velocity of the tide, and thus, perhaps, prove an advantage, rather than the reverse.

Further, the obstruction of the East River by the tide is by very much checked by building, say twenty other piers of timber, say at least fifty by 100 feet long, of oval shape, and to be, say twelve feet depth, (more or less,) and loaded, so that the bottom would be six or eight feet below the surface of the water; guard the sands well with iron, and in Winter move one of these to Buttermilk Channel, say about half-way between the southern point of Governor's Island and Red Hook Point, and the other between Red Hook point of Governor's Island and the Battery. The mooring should be by twoor three, or more, anchors and chains, of such weight and strength as to resist the pressure of the largest fields of ice that may ever be driven by the flood-tide toward the East River by these channels.

A CITIZEN OF BROOKLYN.

FEB. 8, 1869.

A Boy Smothered and His Parents Robbed.

From the St. Louis Republican, Feb. 15.

Persons arrived from Edwardsville, Ill., bring reports of a barbarous murder committed near that town a few days ago. The owner of a farm in the neighborhood of the County seat had in his employ a hired man to assist him in the usual work about the place. This man performed his duties satisfactorily, and had gained the confidence of his employer so completely that on the day of the murder, when the proprietor and his wife went to town, the premises were left in his charge, and also a young son of the family, aged perhaps 8 years. The child had taken a fancy to his father's servant, and was accustomed to follow him about from one spot to another, and manifested his affection in various simple winning ways. But the scoundrel had apparently matured a plan for plunder, and was only waiting a favorable opportunity to put it into execution. The absence of the inmates of the house gave him this opportunity, and unwilling to leave the little boy as a witness of his crime, and unprepared to kill him outright, he hit upon a device which resulted even worse. He took the child, tied him hand and foot, bandaged his mouth, laid him in a corn crib and piled corn in a space of about nine bushels upon his body. He then robbed the dwelling of all it valuable he fled. When the family returned they found the poor victim literally smothered to death. Madison County seems to be the theatre of an unusual amount of wickedness during the last six months. Five persons committed for capital crimes are now confined in the jail at Edwardsville, and last week a young woman was arrested there on charge of child murder.

A LOST FINGER.—A finger, encircled by a plain gold ring, was found yesterday morning, at Passyunk road and Christian-street, which gave rise to many surmises, but none which in any manner came near the true version of the affair. In the evening the finger was discovered to be from the hand of a young woman named MARTHA SOUKUP, residing on Eighth-street, below Dickinson. It was lost in a singular manner. She had placed a bundle of washed clothes in a cart and got into it to ride a few squares, and in getting out the ring on the finger was caught upon some projection at the tail of the cart and the finger torn entirely taken off and left on the street, while she was taken to a neighboring drug store and thence to the Hospital.—*Philadelphia Ledger, Feb. 16.*

The Bridgeport Bank Robbery—Examination in the Case.

We published yesterday the fact that Capt. SPRIGHT and Detectives MCCARTY and MCGOWAN had arrested HENRY MARSHALL, *alias* Glover, and LEVI S. COLE, in whose possession they found a large number of bonds and other securities, which were supposed to have been stolen property. Yesterday C. B. HOTCHKISS, of Bridgeport, Conn., appeared before Justice DODGE, at the Jefferson Market Police Court, and identified all of the bonds as his property. He made a formal complaint of grand larceny against MARSHALL and COLE, stating that on the 30th day of November last he had been robbed of eight United States five-twenty coupon bonds, of the new issue of 1865, for $1,000 each, of the following numbers: 70,369, 70,368, 70,373, 70,374, 70,375, 70,376, 70,377, 70,378; also, eight other United States bonds of the issues of 1864, and a number of other United States bonds, and other securities, to the value of $95,000. The complainant then details the fact of the robbery, mainly as given yesterday, and stated the portion of the property recovered. The cross-examination of the complainant, and of Capt. SPRIGHT, showed that neither of the prisoners resembled persons seen in the vicinity at the time of the robbery, and that none of the stolen property had been found on the person of COLE but was all found in the possession of the prisoner MARSHALL. Upon the conclusion of the examination Mr. SPRIGHT, counsel for the prisoner, asked that the immediate discharge of COLE upon the ground that there was no evidence whatever implicating him either in the robbery or in the possession of the stolen property. In the case of MARSHALL, counsel claimed that he would be able to show that he was in this city at the time of the robbery, and that he had been given the bonds to sell without a knowledge on his part that they had been stolen. He further said that MARSHALL could show that he has hitherto borne a good character, and had never before been connected with crime of any kind.

Justice DODGE declined to accede to the motion for the immediate release of COLE, but appointed the case for further hearing at 3 o'clock this afternoon. The case of MARSHALL was adjourned until Monday morning at 10 o'clock, when he will be accorded a separate examination.

A Broker Found in Possession of Stolen Bonds—He is Locked Up.

Yesterday afternoon, Detective MCDOUGALL, of the Central Office, appeared before Justice DOWLING, at the Tombs, with EDWIN R. LEE, a broker, who resides in Bergen, N. J., in his custody, and stated that he had found him in possession of some stolen bonds. Mention has already been made in the TIMES that on the 6th of August some adroit thief entered the office of the Star Fire Insurance Company, at No. 52 Broadway, and obtained felonious possession of a package of United States five-twenty bonds, valued at $40,000. The bonds were the property of Messrs. JAY COOKE & Co., and the thief has remained undetected ever since. When Mr. EDWIN R. LEE was arraigned before the Magistrate, Mr. NICHOLAS C. BLATCHFORD, President of the Insurance Company, appeared and made an affidavit against the prisoner, accusing him of having in his possession several of the bonds, which were contained in the package, and disposed of the same to WHITE, MORRIS & Co., as well as to THE AMERICAN EXCHANGE BANK. He was supported by the affidavit of LEONARD D. WHITE, of No. 29 Wall-street, who testified that on the 14th of October he purchased from LEE four $1,000 United States five-twenty bonds, Nos. 30,366, 30,702, 36,469 and 36,471, of the issue of January and July, 1865; and that the bonds have been identified as a part of the package of bonds stolen from the office of the Star Fire Insurance Company.

The Magistrate announced that he would be compelled to hold the accused for examination. Mr. LEE said that he was given an opportunity to sell satisfactorily the bonds in the regular course of business. The examination will be held to-day, pending which LEE was locked up.

Masonic.

Mount Zion Chapter No. 361, Royal Arch Masons, was instituted and the officers installed yesterday afternoon, at Odd Fellows' Hall. There was a large number of persons present, including many ladies. The ceremonies were performed by the Most Excellent JOHN W. SIMONS, Grand High Priest of the State of New-York. The officers installed were the following:

M. E. Comp. John F. Baldwin, High Priest; Ex. Comp. George W. Southwick, King; Exc. Comp. James Demarest, Jr., Scribe; Comp. Benjamin C. Walling, Captain of the Host; Comp. Geo. W. Wasdell, Principal Sojourner; Comp. Mitchell Halliday, Royal Arch Captain; Comp. R. T. Lounsbury, Master, First Veil; Comp. J. H. Jones, Master of the Second Veil; Comp. C. H. Blackburn, Master of the Third Veil; Comp. A. Vorce, Treasurer; Comp. George R. Potter, Tiler.

Women's Rights at Mount Vernon.

A meeting of the Board of Education of School District No. 4 took place last night at Mount Vernon, Westchester County, for the purpose of submitting to the tax-payers the plans and estimated cost of two proposed public school buildings. The price of one was to be $20,000 and that of the other $8,000. It was stated that the assessed property valuation of the district was $800,000, and as the sum needed was only $28,000, an assessment upon a house and lot worth $400 would only be $14. The information that the school-houses were needed because the present school-house was too small, and that the ladies present took occasion to state that most of the property of the neighborhood was owned by women, and that therefore they should have the right to a voice in voting upon taxation. It may be recollected that the papers of this City gave extended reports, last Summer, of a town meeting in Mount Vernon, where Mrs. MCDONALD, and other ladies of the place, strenuously asserted their right to the ballot, but were snubbed by a meeting of the law of this State upon suffrage, which expressly confined it to men. The Mount Vernon ladies are, however, persevering, and lose no opportunity of impressing upon their fellow-citizens the rights of women to political equality with men.

Republican Association.

The Eighth Assembly District Union Republican Association held its first meeting yesterday evening at Root's Hotel. Mr. JOHN W. FARRER occupied the chair.

The following resolution was offered and adopted:

Resolved, That the application of Mr. JAMES MCCARTIN for appointment as Assessor of Internal Rev. enue, Fifth City Congressional District, Sixteenth New-York, be indorsed by this Association.

This resolution was followed by another, also adopted:

Resolved, That the application of JOHN W. FARRER, Esq., for appointment as United States Marshal for the Southern District of New-York be indorsed by this Association.

Mr. FARRER protested that he was not a candidate for the office of Marshal, and that his only desire was the welfare of the members of the Association. (Applause.)

A Committee of five was appointed to revise the roll. After a few speeches, the meeting adjourned, subject to the call of the President.

Washington's Birthday.

On Monday next, Mr. JAMES ATLEE will ring a number of Psalms and Hymns on the bells of Trinity, previous to the service which will take place at 11 o'clock A. M. After the service, the following programme will be played on the chimes:

1. Ringing the changes on eight bells.
2. "Columbia, the Gem of the Ocean."
3. "Yankee Doodle."
4. Spanish Melody.
5. Air by De Beriot.
6. Aire from "Child of the Regiment."
7. "What Fairy-like Music."
8. Scotch Melody.
9. "The Soldier's Return."
10. "Evening Bells."
11. "Home, Sweet Home."
12. "Last Rose of Summer."
13. "Hark! the Conquering Hero Comes."
14. "Red, White, and Blue."
15. "Yankee Doodle."

Suicide by a Woman.

JULIA KOCH, residing on an upper floor of the premises No. 84 Allen-street, met on Thursday night a woman whom she had known in former years as ELIZABETH FRAY, that being her maiden name. ELIZABETH told JULIA that her husband had shamefully abused her, and squandered some $900 which she had deposited in a savings bank. As the woman appeared to be in great trouble, JULIA invited her home for the remainder of the night. ELIZABETH accepted the invitation, and soon after reaching her friend's room swallowed a white powder which she said was a dose of medicine. Toward the morning the woman was seized with violent pain in the stomach, and on a physician being called she was found her in a dying condition. Death occurring in a few hours after Coroner ROLLINS was notified and Dr. JOHN BEACH made a *post-mortem* examination of the internal organs, finding unmistakable evidences of arsenic in the stomach. The contents of the stomach were preserved for the purpose of analysis, and the Coroner adjourned the inquest. Deceased was a native of Germany, aged 37. It was found impossible to ascertain her married name.

The Morgue—Visit of a Committee of the Philadelphia Common Council.

The Common Council of Philadelphia has for some time past been considering the propriety of establishing a Morgue in that city; there being at present nothing for the reception of the unknown dead but a dead-house of the ancient parish pattern. Accordingly they deputed a committee to go to New-York and inspect the Morgue erected in connection with Bellevue Hospital. The Committee, consisting of Messrs. Wm. F. Smith, Chairman, John J. Kersey, Charles H. Hawkness, Alex. M. Fox, Geo. W. Plumley, Samuel G. King, F. Duffy, Wm. Sellers, Jos. Sellers, E. M. Leighton, John Fareira, Joseph Hockley, John Stuhl, and Benjamin H. Haines, Clerk, left Philadelphia at 4:30, and arrived in New-York at 10 o'clock on Thursday night. Yesterday morning the deputation left the Metropolitan Hotel, where they were stopping, and proceeded to Bellevue Hospital. They were shown over the establishment by Mr. BELL, and expressed great satisfaction at the general arrangements. They then entered the Morgue, where Mr. BELL explained to them all the peculiarities of design, sanitary precautions and so forth. It was rather remarkable that there was no "subject" in the Morgue at the time. A few bodies had, however, been received some few hours prior to the visit, but it was in the hands of the photographer, who was copying its lineaments for preservation, with such fragments of clothing as still clung to the frame, for the ensuing two years, in accordance with the regulations. The Committee pronounced all the arrangements complete and excellent, and will probably recommend a very similar style of structure for their own city. In the evening the Committee visited Niblo's on the invitation of the lessees.

Mayor's Office.

Yesterday the Mayor's Marshal disposed of the following cases: In the case of LEMOINE vs. SCHULTZ, the complainant, WILLIAM LEMOINE, stated that while walking through Fulton-street, a day or two since, a young man approached him and offered to sell for $1 a pawn ticket for a silver watch worth $7. The complainant bought the ticket and went to the pawnbroker, L. SCHULTZ, and paid $7.75 for a watch worth little or nothing. Finding he was victimized the complainant offered to sell the watch back for half the amount he had paid, but the pawnbroker refused to do so, and upon being brought before the Marshal, the dealer was given him either to refund the entire amount by Wednesday next or have his license revoked. In the case of BOYKING vs. SMITH the complainant, GEO. BOYKING, was induced to enter the place of business No. 102 West-street, kept by JOHN SMITH, and embark in a gift jewelry enterprise, to the amount of $60, and finding that he had been unfairly dealt with, he had SMITH arrested. Being brought before the Marshal SMITH *alias* "Leo," was compelled to disgorge the $60, and was then discharged.

The Fulton-street Fire.

The following is a correct list of the occupants of the premises No. 217 Fulton-street, damaged by fire on Thursday night, with their losses and insurance: Basement—JAMES HAYWARD, paper dealer; loss $6,000, insured in the Germania, Ætna, (of Hartford,) and Mechanics' and Traders' for $2,000 each. Continuous, (of Albany,) $2,000, North American, (of Hartford,) $6,000. First floor—SHUTTLEWORTH & Co., paper warehouse; loss $18,000, by fire and water; insured for $14,000 in Ætna, (of Hartford,) Norwich, (of Connecticut,) Peck, and other companies. Second floor—L. PIERCE, chocolate dealer; loss $6,000, covered by insurance in City companies. Third floor—JOHN RAPER, printer; loss $1,200, insured in the Williamsburg City, People's and Bowery for $1,200 each. Fourth and fifth floors—SIMON LAZARUS, bookbinder; loss $7,000, insured for $9,000 in the Firemen's Fund. GARDNER G. TYRING; loss $6,000, insured for $20,000.

The Princeton Gymnasium.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

In the article concerning Princeton College, which you copy from the Newark *Daily Advertiser*, it is stated that the funds for building the gymnasium have already "been contributed by Mrs. R. G. MARQUAND and ROBERT BONNER, of New-York." There is a mistake here as to one of the names. I had the honor of initiating the movement for the gymnasium, and I was very handsomely seconded in it by H. G. MARQUAND, Esq., a well-known banker of this City, and not by Mrs. MARQUAND, as you print it.

ROBERT BONNER.

LAW REPORTS.

UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT.

FRIDAY, FEB. 19.

NOTE—CONSIDERATION—SCHEME OF SALE, USE—PERSONS THE ISSUE TO BE ROUND.

Jacob Lober vs. Lewis Cooper.—This was an action upon a note given by Lober to the Racine and Mississippi Railroad Company, by way of subscription to the capital stock of that Company. The note was indorsed by Cooper, who said the answer was that the note was made without consideration, and was obtained by means of false and fraudulent representations made by the paper corporation as to the condition of the road, and the solvency of the Company. The Railroad Company had induced the maker of the note, and others along the route of the road, to subscribe for stock to complete the road to certain points, promising to make the payment of the interest on such notes, and also promising to connect the road in time to carry away the next crop of the farmers in the Counties of Stephenson and Carroll, Illinois, (where Lober resided.) It was also stipulated that all the money so obtained should be applied to the construction of the road to the points mentioned—from Beloit, by way of Freeport, to Sycamore—and that the representations and promises were proved to be false, and not performed. The corporation took the money, and has not connected the road at Beloit, and the maker of the note, the answer to subscribing had no idea of leaving the road, cannot from the road in time to carry away the next crop, and that the road is not what it was believed to be when it was represented to be a road. In a subsequent suit the plaintiff claimed that he had no knowledge or belief of the fraud, or falsehood, or fraudulent representations, or of the facts set forth in the answer as constituting the defense of fraud or illegality, nothing being over the time of the Court between the time of the execution of the note to pay by the Railroad Company, and the time of the suit. The instruction that the plaintiff was entitled to recover, if the jury believed that the plaintiff was an innocent holder of the note, and that the Court ought to instruct the jury that the fact that the plaintiff took the note with knowledge of the fraud would not be a defense, was refused by the Court. The plaintiff took a bill of exceptions, and the case was brought here by writ of error. The question involved was, whether the plaintiff was a bona fide holder of the note for value before its maturity. On the trial it was shown that the plaintiff was well and extensively acquainted in Lee, where the note was purchased, and that he was not a lobber at his own door, who being made acquainted with the object and purpose of the agent, sold his property was worth twice the security, and laughed at the idea that it should be doubted. Nor did he then, in any manner, intimate any other matters he set up in his answer to the case. The trial was in the Circuit Court for the Northern District of Illinois, and resulted in a verdict for the plaintiff. From a judgment entered thereon this appeal is taken upon exceptions taken to the ruling of the Court, and to the wording of the verdict in writing of the jury. The verdict reads: "We find the issue for the plaintiff," and as it is contended there were two issues of fact before the jury, it is important to ask what the jury thought of the issue made by the replication, it being assumed that the issue formal for the plaintiff was that of non-assumpsit. A verdict which does not dispose of all the issues cannot be made the basis of an irreversible judgment, but such judgment must be reversed on error brought.

Mr. Carpenter for plaintiff in error; Mr. Minor opposed.

The judgment below is here affirmed.

UNITED STATES CIRCUIT COURT—SOUTHERN DISTRICT.

Before Judge Benedict.

THE MERRIMAC FRIGATE.

The United States vs. John D. McHenry.—The testimony in this case was continued yesterday morning.

James Loughgin, who was called by the prosecution, testified: I was in the employ of Mr. Pike on the 9th of January, 1868; had charge of the Opera House; saw Mr. Pike there on the 8th of January, 1868; he was there all day.

Cross-examined.—I was very busy all day; did not get out to get lunch; saw Mr. Pike there, and spoke to him many times during the day.

Percy Bentley testified: On the 8th of January was in the Opera House; was engaged in cleaning it; came there about seven o'clock; saw Mr. Pike there about every twenty minutes.

Cross-examined.—I was employed in January, 1868; was acting as such in Pike's Opera House on the 9th of January; saw Mr. Pike there; saw him frequently; wanted to speak to him about my being appointed as usher.

Michael Tracy testified: I was foreman of Mr. Pike in January last; the Opera House opened on the 6th of January; I was there; saw Mr. Pike there; saw him about four o'clock; he was there at six o'clock.

Cross-examined.—I know it was four o'clock, because I looked at my watch frequently for my own accommodation; did not look at it specially when I spoke to Mr. Pike.

Daniel R. Duttenfile.—Was stage doorkeeper on the 9th of January, 1868, in Mr. Pike's employ; still held same situation in the employ of the Grand Opera House; I was in the Opera House on the 9th of January; it opened on the evening of that day; saw Mr. Pike there; saw him first about eight o'clock; was there myself about seven o'clock.

Cross-examined by Mr. Field, to test his memory.—The witness remembered seeing him at the Opera House, but could not tell when.

Edward J. Zebos—I was a clerk in a real estate office in Twenty-third-street on the 9th of January; the Opera House opened on that day; I went to the Opera House about half-past nine o'clock

reported due to Mr. Bergman, notwithstanding will be ordered and also a referee.

Isaac O. Fray vs. Henry B. Palmer et al.; motion granted; $5 costs to abide the event.

Ward vs. Ward; see memorandum of decision.

Pike et al. vs. Crane et al.; motion granted, unless the plaintiff pays the costs this stipulated to notice for the first Circuit, and pay when reached.

Claflin et al. vs. Mandel et al.; motion denied without costs.

Miller vs. Hutchings; motion granted on payment of $5 costs, and cause to be put on the Friday Calendar for the second Friday of March.

Jaques vs. Thorn; motion denied; $5 costs to abide the event.

SUPERIOR COURT—SPECIAL TERM—FEB. 19.

By Judge Freedman.

Caroline Morey vs. New-York Safe Deposit Company; motion denied, with $10 costs, defendant to have twenty days to answer.

James Brayley vs. John H. Keller; motion granted upon terms, with $10 costs, order to be settled on notice.

Benjamin N. Marsh vs. B. Frank Palmer; motion denied, with $10 costs.

William Gregory vs. Sarah Gregory, Executrix, &c.; motion referred to Wm. H. Leonard, Esq., to report a memorandum on papers.

Catharine Barrett vs. Thomas Fitzgerald; motion granted with $10 costs.

Henry Kaufer vs. The National Gaslight Company; motion denied, with $10 costs.

Junius A. Bartlett vs. James O'Brien, Sheriff, &c., Mary Hamlet, with costs.

Wilson Chase vs. et al. vs. Thomas S. Sprague; motion granted upon payment of $10 costs to defendant's attorney. Order to be settled on notice.

Wilson Chase vs. William Wallace et al.; motion denied, with $10 costs.

David Winchelsmier vs. Frederick Johnson et al.; motion granted.

Bank of National Bank of Fredericksburg, Va., vs. John W. Shute et al.; motion to vacate order of arrest denied, with $10 costs.

John B. Karcher vs. Rose M. Karcher; report of referee confirmed and judgment of divorce granted.

NOTICE TO THE BAR.

Saturday, the 27th inst., will be the last day for filing notes of issue for the March General Term of this Court. Such note of issue must contain the date of issue, and also date of filing the "case and exceptions" in accordance with the rule heretofore adopted by the Court.

N. B.—No cause will be placed on the calendar unless the note of issue contains the above requirements.

By order of JAMES M. SWEENY, Clerk.

SURROGATE'S COURT.

Before Hon. Gideon J. Tucker.

WILL OF MONSIEUR WATSON.

Yesterday morning the Surrogate rendered a decision in this case, the point of which has been going on for several days past, confirming the original order admitting the will to probate.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

Before Recorder Hackett.

In the Court of General Sessions, yesterday, two trials were held, resulting in one conviction and one acquittal. Four pleas of guilty were received, six sentences were pronounced and three prisoners discharged. During the week a large number of cases have been disposed of, and the term thus far has been an extraordinarily busy one.

SENTENCE OF AN OLD THIEF.

James Holland, who was indicted with Cornelius Coleman and Thomas Ryan for grand larceny, in stealing two barrels of oil, and convicted last Monday, Coleman and Ryan being acquitted, was brought up for sentence. The Recorder said he had become aware of the fact that Holland was one of a stealing gang, and should pronounce the severest sentence of the law, which would be five years in the State Prison.

FIRE OF ASSAULT.

Desiderio Gonzales, whose trial for felonious assault and battery commenced yesterday, interposed through his counsel, a plea of guilty of an assault, which was accepted. He was remanded until Monday for sentence, in order that the opportunity might allow additional testimony. By the request of his counsel, judgment was pronounced, after the prisoner's statement, of three months in the Penitentiary.

BOYS DISCHARGED.

Richard Dunn and Thomas Grady, two boys of about ten years of age, were arraigned for grand larceny. The Recorder had them to understand they had respectable parents and that they took the property without the intention of stealing, and discharged them.

A PICKPOCKET SENTENCED.

John Donohue, pleading guilty of larceny, was brought up for sentence. His counsel asked for the prisoner's discharge, on the ground of his being of a good family and was out of work, and committed the theft because of want. The Recorder said the prisoner was known as a professional pickpocket, and had been detected plying his avocation in church which he characterized as a very bad offence. He sentenced the prisoner to five years at hard labor in the State Prison.

SENTENCING FOR BURGLARY.

Celia Willet (colored) pleaded guilty to a charge of grand larceny, in the Recorder's Court, in that she was in the Penitentiary. She answered—eighteen months, and said she was there for one year. Sentence was pronounced of two years and six months in the State Prison.

James Bat (colored) pleaded guilty to an indictment of grand larceny, and said that the complainant had robbed him of $15 and two days, claiming that his watch was in retainer. The Recorder said that this has nothing to do with his case. You admit your commission of this robbery. I shall sentence you to one year in the Penitentiary.

THEFT OF A THIEF.

Charles Hastings pleaded not guilty to a charge of grand larceny, and Patrick Kelly was called to give evidence that on the 6th of February he took a watch from a boy in the Bowery, valued at $25, under pretense of pawning it and carried it off. He subsequently sold it to a pawnbroker, and gave Hastings the money. He was brought in guilty and sentenced to the State Prison for four years and six months.

ACQUITTAL.

Thomas Grady pleaded not guilty to a charge of robbery. He was accused of assaulting in robbing a sailor in Jamaica Bay, on the 2d of February. The evidence failing to establish his connection with the robbery, a verdict of acquittal was rendered and he was discharged.

The Court then adjourned to Monday morning at 11 o'clock.

POLICE TRIALS.

Commissioner MANHERZ yesterday disposed of a calendar of forty-four complaints against patrolmen. The offences were, for the most part, minor violations of the rules for the discipline of the department.

EFFECT OF "STATION-HOUSE RING."

Sometimes a species of conspiracy is formed between certain patrolmen and a superior officer against another superior officer in the same precinct. In such cases it is almost impossible to see the culprit. This is called a "Station-house ring" to break the effect of the evidence, and even to turn the tables against the superior officer in opposition to whom the league has been formed. The result is, that the officer is placed in their backer or backers, the patrolman on trial is insolent to his superior, and makes his case far worse than if he had pursued an honest, straightforward course. The Commissioner said he was determined to break up combinations of this nature, to transfer its members to precincts far apart.

MUST BE FOUND ON POST.

Sergeant Petty seems to have a good deal of difficulty in making some of the patrolmen of the Sixteenth precinct understand that they should be on earth the name of "repeaters" by appearing too often before the Commissioners. The Commissioner Manierre stated very emphatically, that the men must be found in their beats, and if not, the police did not produce the desired result, dismissals would follow.

NOT PROVEN.

The testimony on the complaint made by Mrs. Ann Feeney, No. 6 Mulberry-street, against Patrolman Kenyon, was to the effect that the officer had said to her that one afternoon on returning to her premises, from which she had been absent but a few minutes, and which she had left locked, she found Barker in the act of punishing her son, and that when he left the house he had with him a Mrs. Barton, a neighbor, who claimed that a shawl which was hanging on the line in Mrs. Feeney's yard was one which had been stolen from her premises. The officer insisted she should get the shawl. She refused to do so, saying that she bought it at a store. Then she and Barker drove to the place, and pointed it out to her. Barker said, "I'm sorry to be obliged to do this, but since you—" she said, "Be old but it was only to make me take down the shawl." At the Station-house the shawl was not claimed as belonging to Mrs. Barton, and she said it was probably not the one she had lost. Mrs. Barton testified that the officer did not break the door in, and Barker swore that he had never spoken or carried a pistol since his half been on the force.

COURT OF OYER AND TERMINER—HUDSON COUNTY.

Before Judge Sedg.

SENTENCES.

The business of the Hudson County Court of Oyer and Terminer having been nearly completed for the term, the following named persons were yesterday arraigned and sentenced by Judge SEDG:

Martin Brimer, petty larceny; County Jail three months.

Charles Van Winkle, petty larceny; County Jail twenty days.

Mary J. Smith, grand larceny; State Prison six months.

Wm. Keaton, assault and battery; County Jail sixty days.

John Roach, shoplifting; County Jail three months.

Mary Bess, petty larceny; sentence suspended.

Jos. Kent, petty larceny; State Prison one year.

Gotlieb Kuntz, for assault and battery, failing to appear, his recognizance was forfeited.

Patrick Kelly, shop lifting; County Jail three months.

Philip McMahon, assault and battery by striking Robert L. Ryan on the head with a stone; fined $5 and costs.

Michael J. Weber, bookseller, taking pedrage; State Prison four years.

Wesley Demon and Henry Williams, (colored,) petty larceny; County Jail three months each.

Gustave Kleinmann, convicted of manslaughter; State Prison five years.

Martin Malloy, indicted for assault on a little girl, and pleaded guilty to assault; County Jail six months.

Wilkinson E. Jones, of Bayonne, indicted for assault and battery and convicted of assault, fined $50 and costs, or in default, six months in jail.

Alfred Griffin, indicted for grievous assault on a boy by cutting him with a knife, pleaded guilty to assault and battery; County Jail three months.

Judge SEDG announced that the three disagreements of the cases for the term before Judge Cryer and the Oyer and Court of Sessions, except three cases which have been filed before the Court of Sessions without a jury.

COURT CALENDAR.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT—BROOKLYN—FEB. 20.

No. [illegible]

The balance of the calendar, excepting reserved causes, will be called on Monday.

MONETARY AFFAIRS.

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SECOND BOARD—12½ P. M.

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OPEN BOARD—10 A. M.

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OPEN BOARD—1 P. M.

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OPEN BOARD—2½ P. M.

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FRIDAY, Feb. 19—P. M.

The centres of the Wall-street markets has undergone several important changes since yesterday. The Gold Room has fallen 3@1 ⅌ cent. The Foreign Exchanges have gone up 4@5 ⅌ cent. in rates, and have rapidly improved in demand and actual business. The rates for Money have gone down from 7 ⅌ cent. Gold Interest to 3@4 ⅌ cent. Currency Interest, and the revolution in the supply from lenders is even more marked than the decline in terms. This Afternoon the report of ease is quite general from both lender and borrower. The break in the Gold Room, the fall of 5 ⅌ cent. in price from the top rate, and the consequent easier facilities for selling Foreign Bills, have much to do with this sudden let-up in Money, and the immediate prospect is, that the market will quietly relapse into a steady 7 ⅌ cent. supply and demand. The sales of Gold to-day were at 134@135⅛@135⅛@135⅜ ⅌ cent. The sales of 60-day Bills on London, prime names, 108⅞@109@109⅛, and short sight at 109⅞@109⅞@109⅞ ⅌ cent., and a pretty large business done for Saturday's steamer.

The first inclination of the Public Funds this morning, on the fall of Gold, was to lower figures on the 5-20s, actively dealt in on both sides the Atlantic, but the bearish feeling at the Government Board of the Stock Exchange was not strong enough to keep prices down more than an hour or two, and at the 2½ P. M. Board the course of the market was completely reversed, and prices were again upward. One or two prominent sellers offered 60-day options at a concession of ¼@⅜ ⅌ cent. from the cash price, which were promptly taken up by good buyers. The State Bonds were active on North Carolinas, Tennessees and Louisianas, and there was also a good demand for Virginias, with only a small offering. Louisiana Levee 6 ⅌ cents advanced to 69 ⅌ cent. The North Carolinas, new, fell off to 35¼ ⅌ cent., but recovered to 39¼ ⅌ cent. The Old Bonds in the Afternoon were 1½ ⅌ cent. higher than last night.

The strong upward turn in the Railway market noticed last night was continued today, and a pretty large business was done in New-York Central and the Western Bonds, at a further advance in Central and Michigan Southern, and with a fair interest, of Erie notes in most of the other Westerns. New-York Central sold up to 144¾ ⅌ cent. but receded to 142¾ ⅌ cent. after the late Board. On the Miscellaneous Boards, the first-mentioned Pacific Mail were less active than yesterday, and the demand better for Western Union Telegraph, Canton Land Company and Marigold Preferred.

After the late Board's books up the following Quotations were made as compared with Thursday night: The Gold market showed a partial recovery. The Pacific Funds left off firm. The close in the Money market was confined by most of the Brokers, after the expiration of the day and close of Bank Hours. The Foreign Exchange closed firm at 109⅞ and 108⅞@⅞ for 60 days and Short Sight on London, respectively.

	Thursday.	Friday.
United States 10-40s	109¼	109¼
United States 6-20s of 1862	114⅝	114⅝
United States 6-20s of 1865	110⅝	110⅝
American Gold Coin	134¼	135⅛
Bills on London, 60 days	108⅞	109⅞
New Bonds of Tennessee	60	60
Virginia Bonds, old	57½	57½
Missouri Bonds	87	87
North Carolina Bonds, old	41¼	39¼
New-York Central	143⅞	142¾
Reading Railway	93⅞	93½
Chicago and Rock Island	127⅞	127⅞
Northwest Common	32⅞	32⅞
Northwest Preferred	91⅞	90⅞
Michigan Southern	94	94⅞
Pittsburg and Fort Wayne	119⅞	120⅞
Cleveland and Pittsburg	59⅞	59⅞
Pacific Mail Company	30⅞	30⅞
Fund Preferred	75	75
St. Paul Common	62	62½
Toledo and Wabash	35½	36
Cleveland and Toledo	104½	104⅞
Ohio and Mississippi	34⅞	34⅞

The following bids were made for the various Public Funds of the United States at the close of business:

6 ⅌ cent. reg., 1881	112⅛
6 ⅌ cent. coup., 1881	112⅛
5-20 reg., 1862	110
5-20 coup., 1862	114⅝
5-20 coup., 1864	111⅛
5-20 coup., 1865	111⅛
5-20 coup., 1867	111⅛
5-20 coup., 1868	110⅛
10-40 reg.	109⅞
10-40 coup.	109⅞
6 ⅌ cent. currency	101⅞

And the following for the State Bonds:

N. Y. Sta. 6 ⅌ c. Loan	99	Indiana 5 ⅌ c. War Loan	100
N. Y. 6 ⅌ c. Canal, '72	108½	Indiana 5 ⅌ c. War Loan, sm.	[illegible]
N. Y. 6 ⅌ c. Canal, '73	108½	Tenn. 6 ⅌ c. new ds.	60
N. Y. 6 ⅌ c. Canal, '74	108½	Tenn. 6 ⅌ c. new ds., sm.	[illegible]
N. Y. 6 ⅌ c. Canal, '75	108½	Virginia 6s, new ds.	61½
N. Y. 6 ⅌ c. Canal, '76	108½	Virginia 6s, new ds., sm.	[illegible]
N. Y. 6 ⅌ c. Canal, '77	108½	Virginia 6s, old ds.	57
Ohio 6 ⅌ c. 1860	108	North Car. 6s, new ds.	39½
Ohio 6 ⅌ c. 1862	108	North Car. 6s, old ds.	35
Ohio 6 ⅌ c. 1863	108	Missouri 6s	87
Ill. Canal bds, '66	99½	Rhode Island 6s	120
Ill. 6 ⅌ c. '76	101	Alabama 5s	90
Ill. 6 ⅌ c. '87	101	Alabama 8s	98
Ill. 6 ⅌ c. '88	101		
Ill. 6 ⅌ c. '89	101		
Ill. 6 ⅌ c. '90	101		
Ill. 6 ⅌ c. coupons	70, 100		

And the following for the City Bank Stocks:

New-York	300	Irving	90
Merchants'	122	Metropolitan	140
Mechanics'	127½	Commerce	110
Union	100	Nassau	105
Tradesmen's	148	Corn Exchange	123½
Phenix	105	Continental	99
National	116	St. Nicholas	120
Mechanics' Exch'ge	116	Manufacturers'	110
Seventh Ward	112	Imp. and Traders'	120½
State of New-York	113	Park	116
Commerce	118½	Mechanics' and Manufs.	110
American Exchange	115½	Central National	108
Bank of the Republic	127½	Fourth National	107½
Bank of N. America	100	Ninth National	111
Hanover	100	Oriental	117

And the following for the Railway Mortgages:

N. Y. Cen. 6s, 1883	91½	Tol. & W. 2d M.	81½
N. Y. Cen. Sink. Fd.	87	Mich. Cen. 1st M.	90
N. Y. Cen. 6s, 1887	97	Gt. West'n 1st M.	93
N. Y. C. & Hudson's	97	Gt. West'n 1st M., '88	93
N. Y. C. '72, 1876	93	Gt. West'n 2d M.	78½
Mich. S. & N. I. 1st M.	93	Ill. Cen. Sinking Fund	75
Erie 7s, 2d Ind., 1859	92	Gal. & Chi. extended	91
Erie 7s, 4th Ind., 1859	92	Gal. & Chi. 2d M.	90
Erie 7s, 5th Ind., 1859	93½	Chi. & R. I. 1st M.	93
Erie 7s, 6th Ind., 1859	93½	Chi. & N. W. S. F.	90
Hd. Tn. M. M. & F. '88, 100	90	Clev. & Tol. S. Fund	89
Harlem 1st M.	90	N. J. Cen. 1st M.	90
O. R. & Q. S. F. 1st M.	111	N. J. Cen. 2d M.	90
Mich. Cen. & B. Br. 1st M.	97½	Ill. Cen. Int. Bonds M.	97½
M. S. & N. I. S. F. '79	90	Morris & Essex 1st M.	92½
Ill. Cen. '76 C.	107	Y. H. W. & C. 1st M.	101
Alton & T. H. 1st M.	91	Y. H. W. & C. 2d M.	81½
Alton & T. H. 2d M.	75	Cleve. & Pitts. S. F.	90
Alton & T. H. M. M.	75	Cleve. & P. M. M.	92
Chi. & N. W. S. Fund	92	Cleve. & P. 4th M.	75
Chi. & N. W. 1st M.	90	Chi. & Alton 1st M.	110½
Chi. & N. W. 2d M.	81½	Chi. & Alton S. F.	90
Cent. P. cert. bonds	62½	Mil. & St. P. 1st M.	92½
Han. & St. J. L. Gr.	107	Mil. & St. P. 1st M. L.	91½
Han. & St. Jo. con.	110	Mil. & St. P. Sinking Fd.	81
Pacific of Mo. 1st M.	90	Mil. & Chi. 1st M.	92
Del., L. & W. M. M.	90	Chi. & Mil. 1st M.	89½
Tol. & W. 1st M. ext.	90		

The week's imports at this port of Foreign Dry Goods have been to the value of $8,996,936. The following is the summary for the week:

CONSUMPTION DIRECT. WAREHOUSED. WITHDRAWN.

	Pkgs.	Value.	Pkgs.	Value.	Pkgs.	Value.
Man. of Wool	1,[illegible]	[illegible]	1,[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Man. of Cotton	1,[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	132,[illegible]	[illegible]	132,[illegible]
Man. of Silk	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	147,[illegible]	[illegible]	147,[illegible]
Man. of Flax	2,[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	179,[illegible]	[illegible]	179,[illegible]
Miscellan's	3,[illegible]	[illegible]	4,[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Total	[illegible]	$1,[illegible]	4,[illegible]	$[illegible]	4,[illegible]	$[illegible]

Total exported, $1,[illegible] Total marketed, $[illegible]

The day's business at the Office of the United States Assistant Treasurer was as follows: Total receipts, $1,[illegible]; total payments, $1,007,065; balance, $30,949,129. The receipts include for Customs, $876,000; for Gold Notes, $97,000.

The National Life Insurance Company of this City presents its exhibit for 1868 elsewhere in this paper—showing that the receipts of the Company, from all sources, for the year, were $[illegible], and the expenditures on all accounts $[illegible], leaving the estimate of the present assets $[illegible], as against $[illegible] a year ago. The Directors have declared a dividend of 30 ⅌ cent. on life policies, and of 35 ⅌ cent. on endowment policies, payable at the time of the payment of the annual premium due in 1869, on all policies entitled to participate in the profits, which have been in force and which were issued previous to the 1st of January, 1869.

The St. Louis *Republican* has the following reference to a direct European and West India trade with that city:

"It is a matter of importance to St. Louis merchants to know that a direct line of steamers has been run between Mobile and Liverpool and Mobile and the West Indies. The first vessel of the former line, the *Golden Fleece*, sails from Mobile on the 25th inst. A number of Liverpool houses engaged in the West Indies have been brought here by the second line and sold at satisfactory prices. It will be in the power of our merchants to get their goods from Europe to Mobile as cheaply as to New-York, while the distance to St. Louis from the seaport will be, by the Mobile and Ohio Railroad, and St. Louis and Iron Mountain Railroad, 87 miles, which will be 400 miles less than from New-York. Our merchants will also find the facilities at the Custom-house at home. Cargoes of goods will come through from Mobile to St. Louis without breaking bulk."

BANKING AND FINANCIAL.

☞ THE LATE DECISION OF THE UNITED States Supreme Court that both coin and currency are a legal tender, and that all contracts for the payment of coin are valid and may be enforced by law, places the *legal liability* of the Union Pacific Railroad Company to pay the interest and principal of its first mortgage bonds beyond question. What some of the Courts have heretofore held was a matter of honor has now become an obligation, and must enhance the market value of their securities.

These bonds are a first mortgage upon one of the longest lines of railroad in the world. The amount will be less than $20,000 per mile. The earnings from local business over a portion of the road last year were over five million dollars, and after its completion early this season, the immense through traffic of the Pacific States will increase this sum to fifteen or twenty millions. The payment of both interest and principal of the bonds in gold is, therefore, perfectly sure.

The present high price of Governments offers a favorable opportunity to sell and to reinvest in a bond equally safe and more valuable on account of the longer period before its maturity. *The exchange will now pay a profit of from one to four per cent.* As the issue of these bonds will soon cease, parties who desire to invest are invited to make their subscriptions at once. They will be received at the Company's office, No. 20 Nassau-street, and by JOHN J. CISCO & SON, No. 52 Wall-street, and by banks and bankers generally. A pamphlet, with full particulars, sent free on application.

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NEW-YORK, SATURDAY, FEB. 20, 1869.

Amusements this Evening.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.
14th-st. and Irving-place.
MATINEE at 1 o'clock.—L'AFRICAINE. (Italian Opera.) Characters by Mme. Lagrange, Miss Kellogg, Mlle. Cello, Brignoli, Bagier, Bossi, Grazzini, Abbadessi and others.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE.
23d-st., corner 8th-av.
MATINEE at 2 o'clock.—OFFENBAUX EN ENFER. Characters by Mlle. Yostes, Mlle. Duclos, Mlle. Delphine, Mlle. Cello, Morel, Duzos, Lotsch, Duschesne, Guidon, Lagrifeul, and others.
EVENING—LA GRANDE DUCHESSE, LA BELLE HELENE, MONS. CHOUFLEURY.

FRENCH THEATRE.
14th-st., near 6th-av.
GENEVIEVE. Characters by Mme. Rose-Bell, Mme. Desclauzas, Mlle. Gerard, Messrs. Carrig, Libel, Bourgeois, Bouvier, Genot, Pons and others.
MATINEE at 1 o'clock.

BOOTH'S THEATRE.
23d-st., near 6th-av.
MATINEE at 1 o'clock.—ROMEO AND JULIET.—EVENING—NARCISSE. Leading character by Mr. Edwin Adams.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.
Broadway, corner 13th-st.
MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING. Characters by Messrs. Lester Wallack, Gilbert, Fisher, Stoddart, Blagden, Miss Rose Eytinge, Mrs. Clara Jennings, Miss Annie West and others.

BROUGHAM'S THEATRE.
24th-st., near 6th-av.
AN IRISH STEW and THE DRAMATIC REVIEW FOR 1868. Characters by Mr. John Brougham, Mr. Stoddart, Miss Newton, Miss Fisher and others.

NIBLO'S GARDEN.
Broadway, between Prince and Houston sts.
FORTY THIEVES; OR, STRIKING OIL IN FAMILY JARS. Characters by Misses Lydia Thompson, Weber, Markham, Gratten, Mr. Beckett and others.
MATINEE at 2 o'clock.

OLYMPIC THEATRE.
Broadway, between Houston and Bleecker sts.
THE FIFTY DUMPY. Characters by Mr. Geo. L. Fox, Mr. J. Long, Mr. C. R. Fox, Mlle. Laurent, Mrs. J. Edmonds, Miss E. Harrison, Mr. Sinclair and others.
MATINEE at 1½ o'clock.

TRETATRE COMIQUE,
No. 514 Broadway.
PLUTO, and COMIC SKETCHES and LIVING STATUES. Characters by Mr. W. H. Lingard, Misses Alice Dunning, Norman, Lingard, Leton and others.
MATINEE at 2½ o'clock.

WAVERLEY THEATRE.
No. 720 Broadway, near 4th-st.
LUCRETIA BORGIA. Characters by Miss Elise Holt, Miss Jackson, Miss Pitt, Mlle Williams, Messrs. Barrows, Lewis, Parsloe, Wall and others.
MATINEE at 2 o'clock.

BROADWAY THEATRE.
Broadway, near Broome-st.
NITA; OR, WOMAN'S CONSTANCY. Leading character by Mlle. Zoe.
MATINEE at 1½ o'clock.

NEW-YORK THEATRE.
Broadway, near 9th-st.
OTHELLO. Leading characters by Mr. Neil Warner, Mr. McKean Buchanan and Miss Virginia Buchanan.
MATINEE at 1½ o'clock.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

CONGRESS.

In the Senate, yesterday, after the presentation of numerous bills and reports, among which was a bill concerning the captures of Admiral FARRAGUT's fleet in 1862, in the Mississippi River, and a bill to compensate the officers and crew of the *Kearsarge* for the destruction of the *Alabama*, Mr. TRUMBULL called up the bill to reorganize the Judicial system of the United States. The consideration of this bill was interrupted by the expiration of the morning hour. The Indian Appropriation bill then came up, and some time was occupied in its discussion. Mr. SUMNER, from the Committee on Pacific Railroads, made a long and interesting report favoring the donation of aid by the United States to the Companies, and condemning the report entitled "Views of the Minority." The Civil Tenure-of-Office bill was reached, but the Senate adjourned at 4:45 P. M. without taking action on it.

The House resumed debate on the Army Appropriation bill, the question being on the adoption of Mr. BLAINE's amendment providing for the reduction of the Army. Mr. KELLEY spoke in favor of it, and Mr. BUTLER opposed it, preferring his own proposition. Mr. BLAINE's amendment was adopted. It contemplates the reduction of the Army to twenty regiments of infantry, five of cavalry and five of artillery, and provides that no appointments to the staff departments shall be made until further action of Congress. The amendments reducing appropriations for special purposes were agreed to, and the bill then passed. The Sergeant-at-Arms was directed, at the request of the New-York Election Frauds Committee, to arrest JOHN H. BELL and DAVID W. HANYA, two recusant witnesses. The Committee of Conference on the bill to reduce the Navy and the Marine Corps submitted a report, which was agreed to. It provides for a gradual reduction of these corps by absorption. The House then took a recess until evening. At the Evening Session the Post Office Appropriation bill was considered in Committee of the Whole, but there being no quorum present, little progress was made. Most of the evening was consumed in calling the roll and attempts to secure the attendance of absentees.

GENERAL.

The Cuban insurrectionists have fortified a strong position commanding the channel leading to the town of Guanajo, a port south of the Roman Cays. They have some brass cannon mounted, which are manned by Americans. The Government at Havana are preparing a flotilla to attack the position. It is reported that Secretary SEWARD has asked of the Spanish Government the immediate punishment of the persons implicated in causing the death of Mr. CONRAD, an American citizen, at Havana, during the recent outbreak in that city.

Gov. SMITH, of Alabama, has issued a letter of instruction to the Sheriffs of the different counties of that State in reference to the outrages perpetrated by the Ku-Klux. He says they are invested with ample authority to protect citizens and preserve order, and if they are unable to do so by means of a posse comitatus, it is their duty to call upon the military commander of the nearest post, who, under a standing general order from the War Department, will furnish all requisite assistance.

In the case of JOHN CLARK, convicted at Baltimore of murder in the first degree, and now under sentence of death for the murder of H. B. GROVE, the Court of Appeals has sustained the writ of error and ordered him a new trial. The culprit has been in jail three years, and some principal witnesses against him are dead.

Mr. DEMPSEY, of the firm of DEMPSEY & O'TOOLE, of Washington, was sentenced yesterday by Judge FRIZEN, in the District Criminal Court, to $200 fine and ten days' imprisonment, for his assault upon Gen. DUNCAN, a clerk in the Patent Office.

The five men who were arrested in Allegheny County, Penn., recently charged with the murder of Mr. DOUGLAS LOVE, Superintendent of one of the coal mines near Lansearing, have been released from custody, there not being evidence sufficient to warrant their being held.

A well-known and respected citizen of Memphis was shot on the Arkansas River by Gov. CLAYTON's militia. The murderers were promptly arrested, tried and condemned.

The Caldwell fire on Chestnut-street, in Philadelphia, was investigated by the Coroner's jury sitting on the bodies of the unfortunate sufferers. The jury was unable to determine the cause of the conflagration.

Two well-known trotting horses, *Orphing* and *Young Burger*, contested their speed on the ice at Poughkeepsie, yesterday. The race resulted in the victory of *Young Burger*. Time—2:32.

LAUGHLAN CAMERON, of South Boston, on Thursday evening, visited the apartments of one of his tenants, named FITZGERALD, and without the slightest provocation, deliberately shot Mr. FITZGERALD while he was taking his supper with his family. The injured man is not expected to live.

Our dispatches last night stated that Gov. BROWNLOW would declare martial law in several counties of Tennessee to-day, and that Gen. COOPER would be ordered to organize the militia and deal summary justice to all evil-doers without regard to the civil law.

The remains of a mastodon have been discovered near Petaluma, Cal.

"Colonel" J. B. HERMAN, the Canal-street claim agent, who is charged with defrauding a large number of soldiers and widows and orphans of soldiers out of moneys collected by him in their name from the Government, failed yesterday for the second time to appear before United States Commissioner BETTS. The case was thereupon postponed till Friday next.

The Surrogate yesterday rendered a decision in the Watson will case, in which property to the amount of $100,000 is involved, sustaining the will.

A portion of the $40,000 worth of bonds stolen from the office No. 96 Broadway, on the 6th of August last, have been traced to the possession of a New-Jersey broker named EDWIN R. LEE, who is now in custody.

LAUGHLIN CAMERON has been committed on the charge of murder, DAVID FITZGERALD, whom he shot on Wednesday night, having since died.

Yesterday the jury in the McHenry perjury case were locked up for the night, and will probably render their verdict this morning.

Dr. PEASLEE concluded his course of "lectures to young men" last evening.

A girl named MAGGIE DEFOY died suddenly in a house of ill-fame last evening, from an overdose of chloroform.

Sergt. DILKE and a posse of Police last evening made a descent on two notorious Broadway gambling-houses, and arrested thirty-four persons therein.

Cotton was heavy and lower yesterday, on a moderate trade. Breadstuffs and most kinds of Provisions were in less request, and generally cheaper. Groceries were active. Sugars again higher. Dry Goods in more demand, both privately and at auction, but less buoyant in price. Family marketing showed few changes of interest, on a slow business. Freights were dull and lower.

Albany Legislation—Gov. Hoffman's Vetoes.

The great mistake evidently of our Albany lawmakers is in conceiving that *quantity* of legislation can supply the place of quality. Instead of weighing carefully and deciding well the comparatively few general measures which demand attention, the Legislature fritters away most of its time in merely *hearing of* ten thousand minor matters, for many of which provision is made under general statutes, and which demand no legislation at all.

Substantially the *whole* of Thursday's session of the Assembly was taken up with the third reading of bills. A few days before, the same body sat just an hour, and in that time nearly fifty new bills were introduced. There is not, probably, a solitary Solon but has a fresh one to add to the stock, while some members produce them by the dozen from their pockets, with the greatest nonchalance. The result is an enormous amount of subject-matter for legislation, with very little accomplished, and even this little hasty and inconsiderate. Two months are usually wasted in sending new bills to committees; then everybody is alarmed at how little has been done, and during the last few weeks of the hundred days for which the law allows compensation, bills are driven through with recklessness; and *then* comes in the art of lobbying, managing and log-rolling, to wreck some projects and save others in the general bustle and confusion.

Just about half of the one hundred days have now elapsed; there have been more than *eight hundred* bills introduced into the two Houses, which have gone to committees; but of legislation there has been almost none. Probably the work of this session does not drag behind that of preceding ones; but it is a general vice of Albany legislation (just as it is of Washington legislation) to postpone important business for unimportant, and general business for special. The end of the session sees, accordingly, good measures killed and bad ones adroitly passed, thus entailing a double calamity.

Gov. HOFFMAN has twice admirably interposed his veto power against matters of special legislation; and so far do the *general* effects of that interposition outweigh the special subjects of its exercise (whose merits or demerits, in either case, are of comparatively little importance) that we may look for the best results. What Gov. HOFFMAN aims at in his vote of the 11th inst. and in his second vote of the 17th, is fully set forth in the first message and pithily put in the second, in the declaration that applications for special legislation in cases covered by general laws press heavily upon the time of public men, and increase largely the public expenses; and that "special legislation should always be refused in cases covered by general enactments."

In other words, Gov. HOFFMAN proposes to *reenforce* legislation, and to bring it back from the absurdities into which it has strayed, to its normal and appropriate place. It is easy to see that the business of professional lobbyists will be trenched upon by this reform, and that, accordingly, the Governor may have hard work to carry it out. For that reason he deserves all the more the support of good citizens and patriotic legislators; and we hope he will become, if necessary, famous as a "veto Governor" in this respect.

However, we note that a bill has just been introduced to "facilitate the formation of corporations under general laws" and to permit change of corporate names, relating to all sorts of clubs as well as business firms, and designed to supersede special legislation. As the Governor's hint, if properly acted upon, can in time reduce the labor of the Legislature by a third or a half, its importance can be estimated.

The Machinery of Justice in New-York—What it Costs and What it Fails to Accomplish.

During the twelve months ending Oct. 1, 1868, the official records show that 78,451 known crimes, of greater or less magnitude, were committed in this City. Of these crimes 78 were murder, 7,721 assaults against the person, and the remainder thefts and robberies of various kinds. By the end of 1868 the number of known crimes exceeded 101,000,—a much larger number than any previous year can show.

While crime runs riot in our streets, and the law of terrorism is invoked to shield offenders from justice, we are keeping up a complicated and expensive machinery, designed to protect life and property and preserve public order. That machinery is

1. The Police force, numbering 2,300 picked men, selected for their physical strength and vigor, and fully equipped with clubs and revolvers.

2. Eight Police Justices, sitting daily, with seventeen Aldermen to assist them, if necessary, to commit offenders, and twenty-one clerks to make out commitments, take complaints, &c.

3. One District-Attorney, three Assistant District-Attorneys and fifteen clerks, to prosecute criminals.

4. A Recorder, a City Judge, and a Judge of Oyer and Terminer, to try the graver offences.

5. Two clerks and thirty-four other officials of the Court of General Sessions, and five clerks, &c., of the Special Sessions.

6. About forty jails, prisons and station-houses for the imprisonment of offenders, and forty-one wardens, keepers, &c., and a house to detain and support witnesses against offenders.

7. Four Coroners, to investigate murders and cases of death under suspicious circumstances.

The expense to the City of this machinery of justice is divided as follows:

Police	$2,300,000
Police Courts and Justices	92,500
District-Attorney's Office	37,000
The Coroners	34,000
The Recorder	12,500
The City Judge	12,000
Court of General Sessions	92,000
Court of Special Sessions	16,000
Extra expenses of conducting trials	15,000
Prisons	40,000
Total	$2,651,500

That is, for every day in the year the City pays over *eight thousand eight hundred dollars* to maintain order and protect life and property,—not too large a sum, certainly, if these objects were accomplished, but altogether too large to be thrown away. But what do we get for our money? As we have already shown, crime holds high carnival in our streets. Private houses and stores are broken into and robbed, not only at night but in broad daylight, and the thieves are rarely discovered, and still more rarely brought to justice. Prisoners on their way to jail are forcibly rescued by their friends. Quiet citizens are knocked down and robbed in frequented streets. Witnesses against criminals are threatened with violence and death. Jurymen are intimidated, and too vigilant Police officers are mobbed and murdered. Apparently, we might almost as well shut up our Courts, open all the prisons, and disband the Police force, with so little effect is the administration of the law attended.

It is, of course, much easier to point out defects than to suggest remedies for them, and easier to suggest remedies than to carry them into practical effect. With Judges and public prosecutors in close political affinity with our criminal classes; with a detective corps whose inefficiency has become proverbial, and whose only plan for compelling thieves to yield up their plunder is compromise on the best terms for themselves; with Aldermen whose principal work, when not engaged in swindling the City, is letting criminals loose upon society,—with all these adverse influences in active play, the work of reform appears to be almost hopeless.

But, though a radical reform is perhaps too much to expect while our present system of electing Judges remains in force, a good deal might be accomplished by the Police toward the repression of the criminal classes. Our streets are paraded day and night by an army of villains, well known to the Police,—thieves of the worst sort, burglars, murderers, desperate men who would not for an instant weigh a life against a dollar. Against these ruffians the Police should wage an active, offensive war. Every known thief and other dangerous character met in the public street should be stopped and searched, and deprived of their knives, pistols and burglary tools. The haunts and dens of thieves should be cleaned out; and as it is well known that the inmates have no means of subsistence except crime, they should be committed to jail as vagrants. As prevention is better than cure, as it is better to stop a burglary than to raise a hue and cry after a thief making off with his plunder, the Police should "take the initiative" against the criminal classes, and by such measures as we have indicated, or by others equally vigorous, make the City too hot for them. Outlaws against society should be made to know that they are outlaws, with no claim to the ordinary rights and privileges of honest citizens. We believe that if the Police authorities would take these measures against the common enemies of society and order, the number of crimes in the City would be greatly diminished, that property would be more secure, and that quiet citizens would no longer be under the necessity of making themselves walking arsenals for the protection of their lives and purses.

The Singular Case of Ah Wang.

A curious decision has been rendered by the Supreme Court of California in a case which involves certain great principles of natural right, civil justice, and constitutional law,—which involves, moreover, the question whether a *yellow* man has any rights which are to be respected by a *black* man who is constructively *white*.

AH WANG, a yellow Chinaman of Mongolian descent, was robbed and plundered in California by GEORGE WASHINGTON, a colored individual of African descent. When suit was brought against the *black* robber on behalf of his *yellow* victim, the Court decided that under the provisions of the Civil Rights act the negro was entitled to all the privileges of a *white* man, and as according to California law the testimony of a *Chinaman* cannot be accepted as against a *white* man, the negro robber was acquitted. The case was taken on appeal before the Supreme Court, a majority of the Judges of which sustained the decision of the lower Court, while a dissenting opinion was given by a minority. It happened, oddly enough, that the three Judges who discriminated against the Chinaman were Republicans, while the two who took the opposing ground were Democrats. The Democratic Judges held that the Civil Rights bill was unconstitutional;—consequently negroes and Chinamen are under equal civil disabilities, and the California law, which forbids the admission of Chinese testimony against white men, does not apply to negroes, but remains in full force against the Congressional enactment forbidding legal discrimination on account of color. The Republican Judges, in holding to the constitutionality of the Civil Rights bill, which elevates the civil rights of the negro to an equality with those of the white man, thereby deprived the Chinaman of the exceptional advantage he would otherwise have had against the particular colored individual who had invaded his property rights.

The coincidences of the case are remarkable, and are not likely to be often repeated. But the trial has served the purpose of again calling the attention of the Californians to the anomalous law on their statute book forbidding the acceptance of Chinese testimony in cases in which white men are implicated, and the leading journals of California unite in saying that when a test case is brought before the Supreme Court involving the constitutionality of the State law, it will assuredly be declared invalid. We cannot doubt the fact; for there is no question that the California law is in direct antagonism with the Fourteenth Amendment of the Constitution, which, after declaring who are citizens of the United States, and securing them in the enjoyment of their privileges and immunities, contains a provision applicable to *all persons*, whether citizens or not, in these words:

"*Nor shall any State deprive any person of life, liberty or property without due process of law, nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws.*"

It required some such odd case as that which has now arisen to awaken the people of California to the gross injustice which has always been practiced upon the resident Chinese population under cover of existing laws. The cruel oppression they have suffered has been an outrage upon all our pretences of civil liberty and Christian principle. Mr. BRACE, in his letters from California, dwelt on it very severely, and there have lately been demands for change from the Californian Press more vigorous than ever. One of the San Francisco papers, in commenting on the present case, says that "*white robbers make a business of plundering Celestials merely because they cannot hear witness against them;* and in this city (San Francisco) a base class of the populace consider it a fine amusement to beat Chinamen, while boys are encouraged by ruffianly parents to break the windows of the meek and friendless aliens." The injustice of the existing law of California is evidently very vividly realized; and now that the passage of the Fourteenth Constitutional Amendment has put the local statute in antagonism with the fundamental law of the land, we may look for a decision from the Supreme Court of the State that will put an end to the disgraceful oppression that the children of the Flowery Land have heretofore suffered in the Golden State.

Danger of Unwise Retrenchment.

It seems ungracious to criticise in any but an approving spirit the zealous efforts of the House in the direction of retrenchment and economy. Extravagance has so long prevailed in every department of the Government that the present disposition to cut down expenses of all kinds seems to merit cordial praise. The desire to save contrasts so strikingly with the reckless inclination to spend, that few are disposed to be censorious as to the manner in which the saving is effected. If only expenditures are largely reduced, we should be satisfied.

And yet even in good works judgment is necessary. The best of deeds may be marred by a little indiscretion. Economy, to be real, must be lasting; it must be a reality,—not a sign confined to the appropriation bills, signifying nothing. For the purpose of momentary effect, a deduction of thirty or fifty per cent. from the estimates furnished by the Departments may be well enough, but as a measure of retrenchment it becomes a farce if at the end of the year the difference reappears in the form of a deficiency bill. Cutting down estimates amounts to nothing unless the sums voted be sufficient for the service they are intended to cover. The manner in which these things are done constitutes the difference between wise and unwise retrenchment.

The danger now to be apprehended is that of unwise work. In the hurry to make a good appearance, estimates are cut down summarily, without reference to probable requirements as estimated by the heads of departments. So many millions are asked for; thirty or fifty per cent. less is appropriated, and the difference is claimed as money saved. But if the wants of the Department be not diminished in the same proportion, there will be no real saving; simply embarrassment of the Executive and an exemplification of folly, next year, when a deficiency bill comes before Congress.

The proper method to be pursued is manifest. It is the duty of the Appropriation Committee to confer with the departmental heads, with the view of reducing the estimates as much as possible. Any economy thus effected is genuine economy; the amount of the reduction is an amount gained. But this is not the course at present followed. Estimates are discarded; the departmental idea of what is wanted is repudiated; and zealous members, in the name of economy, urge appropriation bills which in many items are inadequate to the efficient performance of the duties required. The credit thus won will not stand; it will be followed, in due time, by disappointment and disgust.

The system is rendered more objectionable by its effect upon the operations and repute of the incoming Administration. Gen. GRANT enters office voluntarily pledged to a policy of retrenchment and economy. Nobody doubts his determination to keep his promise. But even Gen. GRANT cannot perform impossibilities; he cannot make ten millions fill the place of fifteen. Vigorous honesty will accomplish much, no doubt, and on this quality the country relies. But the Government must be carried on—its essential wants must be satisfied; and if the moneys voted by Congress be insufficient for the purpose, deficiencies will inevitably occur which must next year be made good.

We are not suggesting any unusual latitude in expenditures for the new Administration. But it is entitled to demand fair play. And the measure of fair play, so far as payments go, is an intelligent estimate of what the public service needs,—not the arbitrary decree of members intent upon earning popularity by a pretence of retrenchment.

The Supreme Court Decision.

The Press, without distinction of party, discusses with evident satisfaction the recent decision of the Supreme Court, and predicts for it a wholesome influence upon the opinion and business of the country. The equity of enforcing the specific performance of coin contracts entered into prior to the war, the protection afforded to creditors under contracts of this nature now outstanding, and the security afforded for the future conduct of business on a specie basis without waiting for further legislation—are points on which the public judgment seems to be tolerably well established. No apprehension of embarrassment is expressed in any quarter. The construction that may possibly be put upon ante-war contracts, in which payment in coin was not covenanted, remains to be ascertained. But on the general question of coin contracts and their binding force, Democratic and Republican journalists write in a tone of respectful acquiescence in the conclusion of the Court, and with a good deal more than formal approval of the effect which the decision may be expected to produce upon the country. The impatience manifested by Senator DRAKE toward the authority of the Court, and the idea he suggested of resistance to its dicta, find favor nowhere.

The favorable bearing of the decision upon the Legal-Tender act doubtless contributes not a little to the opinion generally expressed. Although no direct reference is made by the Court to the question of constitutionality as connected with that act, the whole argument on which the majority-judgment rests implies an admission in the affirmative. The reference to two descriptions of lawful money in circulation—the explicitness with which two forms of contract are specified, one payable in coin, the other in legal-tender notes—would be unintelligible except on the hypothesis that the Court concedes the constitutionality of the Legal-tender act. Some of our Democratic contemporaries exhibit a little chagrin in their comments upon this aspect of the decision; their prophetic reputation having been staked upon the opposite opinion. To the people, however, this is not the least significant or the least agreeable result of the case. For besides imparting an element of stability to business by doing what Congress has hitherto failed to do in the matter of gold contracts, it practically ends the controversy in regard to the constitutional validity of the Greenback law. In both respects it is as timely as it is important.

Georgia and Mississippi.

The conflicting reports we published yesterday from Atlanta indicate the impolicy of any further Congressional interference in the affairs of Georgia. The Republicans of the State are divided. The extremists invoke fresh action with the view of bettering their own position; all others deprecate it as not justified by the circumstances of the State, and as calculated to bring the policy of the Government into disrepute. The former have Gov. BULLOCK on their side; the latter are strengthened by the name of Gen. MEADE.

There is little likelihood now of Congressional intermeddling, and there ought to be none. A State whose votes were counted in the Electoral College, is no more subject to interference of the kind sought than is any other of the represented States. The Senate may stultify itself by refusing admission to its Senators, but the constitutional standing of the State no longer admits of reasonable doubt. And it is well that it is so. The wrong done the colored people by the Georgia Legislature will be of brief duration. The next election will give them the opportunity of punishing their betrayers and guarding effectually against a repetition of injustice.

We are glad, too, that Mr. BOUTWELL confesses the hopelessness of attempting further legislation in regard to Mississippi this session. His proposal to alter the Reconstruction acts would produce only mischief. Those acts have been proved adequate to reconstruct seven States, and they may surely be relied upon to perfect the work. The time is past for experimenting, or for sacrificing substantial progress at the bidding of exacting men.

MINOR TOPICS.

It won't be the fault of the newspapers if two or three ocean steamers do not go to the bottom, with all on board, before the season is over. Two or three journals, hard up for subscribers and a sensation, persist in publishing, with staring headlines, detailed accounts of the results of an ocean race between the *Russia* and the *City of Paris* steamers, with reports of the enormous bets depending on the result and the extraordinary means taken by each to win. In face of the fact that the managers of the lines to which these vessels belong have denied in the most explicit and emphatic manner that there has been any such thing as a race between their respective vessels, the pertinacity with which these journals persist in their falsehoods is surprising. They probably know that a constant reiteration of the original fabrication, is pretty sure to command some sort of credence; while a denial can be slurred over as of no consequence and entitled to no credit. There may be men foolish enough to bet as to which of two steamers, sailing at the same time, will reach the other side first; but this by no means makes a race.

The remarkable case of marriage performed by Recorder HACKETT, in his Court, the other day, is exciting a good deal of attention. A gentleman sends us a note, in which he expresses his astonishment at reading in the TIMES a notice of a "case in which the learned Recorder of this City *discharged* a man who in open Court confessed a felony, to wit, *rape*, and thereupon *married* the felon and his victim." Our correspondent says that the comment we made upon the transaction was of a moral character; but, (says he,) "if it is not too much trouble, will the Recorder, or some one for him, inform his constituents upon what *legal* authorities, or law of this State, he let this confessing felon go free?"

Another of the barriers which Congress placed before President JOHNSON is now to be removed out of the way of President GRANT. Senator WILSON yesterday introduced a bill to repeal the act fixing the army headquarters at Washington, and requiring all orders from the President to pass through the General-in-Chief. This law was passed during President JOHNSON's difficulty with Secretary STANTON, when there were apprehensions that the President might issue to officers in Washington orders adverse to the will of Congress. Though the Senate demurs to the repeal of the Tenure-of-Office law, we cannot suppose that either House will hesitate over the repeal of this.

If Mr. DUFF GREEN really possesses a secret which will settle all our financial troubles, we do not see that Congress should refuse him the chance of telling it, merely because he was once a "notorious rebel." Yet it was solely on that ground that Senators THAYER and CONESS defeated his chance for ventilating his scheme by printing it at the public expense. We think that possibly it didn't deserve printing anywhere else than in the newspapers; but the fact that its author was a *rebel* has nothing to do with our opinion. The circumstance of Senators CONESS and THAYER being *loyal* men doesn't add a whit to the value of their somnolent incubrations on finance.

Gen. BUTLER's plan of cutting down the regular army, by the peremptory dismissal of a large number of officers and men, was defeated in the House yesterday, after an earnest debate, which was continued from the previous day. In place of his amendment to the Army bill, that of Mr. BLAINE was adopted. It provides that no new commission shall be issued in any regiment until the military force is reduced to twenty regiments of infantry, five of cavalry and five of artillery. It provides that regiments shall be consolidated as rapidly as possible until the minimum is reached; and it further provides that there shall be no new appointments and no promotions in the Adjutant-General's Department, in the Pay Department, in the Quartermaster's Department, in the Ordnance Department, or in the Medical Department. These measures will, before the end of the year, insure a considerable reduction in our military expenditure.

We are glad to see that the Senate has passed the bill providing for the payment of the prize money due to the officers and men of FARRAGUT's fleet, who opened the Mississippi River and captured New-Orleans. The settlement of these claims has been long delayed because of some legal difficulties, but their justice has never been disputed, and their prompt payment now is a matter of simple duty on the part of the Government.

The Queen of England—in the speech on the opening of Parliament—is made to recommend the movement against the Irish Church, and the conciliation of the "affectionate people" of Ireland. That last qualifying phrase is rather a new one in such documents, and certainly means much, even if it should not express the real sentiment of the Queen, who, very likely, always thought with Prince ALBERT in that matter. That conciliating policy might have been happily adopted long ago. The Scotch were once called bloodthirsty, base and beggarly, by the English; they are now loyal as the English. The Irish are not revolutionary—not being a free-thinking or bold-thinking race—and they could be easily conciliated—as they certainly must be, if England would keep her Imperial proportions and stand *totus teres* among the nations of the earth.

The story which the friends of KEAL, the murderer of Policeman SMEDICK, are now circulating with the object of creating a feeling in his favor, to the effect that he shot his victim in revenge for having seduced his sister, is too transparent a sham to obtain any credit. It ought not to have any weight even if it were true. The killing of SMEDICK was a cowardly and deliberate act, which should be punished to the extremity of the law.

It is rather remarkable that the Senate of Kansas should again have refused assent to the proposition to strike the word "white" from the State Constitution. Kansas is one of the most Radical Republican States in the Union, and at the same time contains but a small colored population. Yet it has again and again refused to admit the principle of the political equality of people of all colors. The Chicago platform, on which GRANT was nominated, favored the settlement of this question by the action of the separate States, according to their own will. There seems little prospect of the requisite majority of the State Legislatures assenting to the Congressional Amendment of the National Constitution forbidding any discrimination in any of the States on account of color.

It seems to be a great mistake to suppose we are a fast people—a reckless, go-ahead race—we New-Yorkers. We are rather a slow people, in the matter of changing the old for the new. We start a project, and then talk "about it, and about it," for a year, for ten years, for twenty years. Witness, that weary old Post Office—the Washington Market—the piers and wharves—the underground railway—the overground railway—the bridge to Brooklyn—the steam-cars for the streets, &c. On all these subjects we are slow as Spaniards. We seem to shrink from change, and when it is proposed, cry out, Job! Unless we get angels for contractors, we shall have jobs. But, angels or no angels, we must have locomotion; and we pray for the steam carriages, to make a beginning with something.

The propriety of continuing the existence of the College of the City of New-York is questioned in some quarters, but while it remains a part of our public school system we see no good reason that the range of its curriculum should be less limited than that of any first-class institution. We, therefore, indorse the petition which has been sent to the Board of Education by numerous influential citizens, asking that increased facilities be afforded in the College for acquiring the German language. A knowledge of German would be as useful to our young men as that of any other tongue, and the language ought to be taught in the College.

The political canvass in New-Hampshire for the State election, which comes off in twenty days, is of the dullest possible kind. The entire list of State officers, with three members of Congress, are to be elected, and the Republican candidates have all taken position on a field which they know will be easily won. For Governor, the Democrats have nominated a Union soldier (Gen. BREDEL) who served energetically through the war, and the Republicans have nominated a wealthy and prominent railroad man, (Mr. STRAHN.) It seems to be hard for the parties to get up an issue over which they can have an active fight. And so the old Granite State, once famous for its political contests, will continue in strong Republican line, while the demoralized Democracy go through the form of voting for their candidates.

The same kind of attempts at retrenchment which we expect to see made by the Grant Administration are now being made in England by the Gladstone Government. It is there as here, the order of the day, to cut down expenses in the departments, to economize at every possible point, to dismiss useless officials, and to see if something cannot be done to lighten the burdens which are crushing the poor into the bottomless pit. It is a far harder matter there than it can be here; for there the organized interests which are opposed to it are far stronger, older, and more difficult to shake off than they are here. They are now making a fearful outcry through the Press that represents them; and it is curious to observe how much more vigorous they are than our barnacles in using the arguments of privilege and vested interest. We hope Mr. GLADSTONE will grapple with the subject fearlessly; for only thus is there a possibility of the salvation of the masses of the English people from the degradation in which they are sunk.

AMUSEMENTS.

Musical.

There was what may fairly be called a brilliant audience at the Academy last night, to witness the first production this season of MEYERBEER's admirable work, "Robert le Diable." Even under maltreatment, this opera pleases the public, and we all know how much it has been maltreated. With a musician at the head of affairs, and a full company, its beauties are spared; and this was eminently so last night. It would not be easy to find a better quintette than that supplied by Mr. MARETZEK. The *Alice* of Mme. LAGRANGE is graceful in conception, and clear, and even powerful in execution. Miss MCCULLOCH is again suited in the part of *Isabella*, and steadily advances in public esteem. BRIGNOLI and ANTONUCCI are both well known in their respective *rôles*, and were in good voice last night. So also was Herr HABELMANN. It is a pity that this gentleman persists in singing in German. By this time he ought to be able to learn a part in Italian. He is too valuable to be exiled to the German stage, but it is aggravating to hear a polyglot performance. The duo in the second act between *Raimbaldo* and *Bertram*, although admirably sung, lost much of its effect from this cause. The chorus was good, save when it descended to Hades, and then, perhaps, properly it became infernal. The orchestra under Mr. MARETZEK was well handled, and the performance in all respects may be recorded as a success which will certainly bear repetition.

"L'Africaine" will be given to-day at the *matinée*, for the first time this season. It will, of course, attract a full and fashionable audience.

The Sunday Concerts are conducted this year with rare animation. Not only are there two fine orchestras at Steinway and Irving Halls, but at each establishment there is good vocal and instrumental talent—sometimes the best. The programme to-morrow night at Steinway Hall with two entr'actes to the drama of "Rosamundo," a posthumous work by SCHUBERT, and terminates with AUBER's familiar and popular overture to "William Tell." The soloists are Miss PAULINE BIEBLER, Mr. IGNATZ POLLAK, Mr. OSCAR WENIGE, Mr. H. SCHMITZ and Mr. C. SNIDLER. At Irving Hall the Mendelssohn Orchestral Union—reinforced by the Levy Concert Troupe—will give the seventh concert of the series under the direction of Messrs. MOLLENHAUER and DODWORTH. It will be perceived that Mr. LEVY has acceded from the Parepa-Rose troupe. He made his first appearance at Union concerts on Sunday last, and awakened all the old enthusiasm. His lip was in admirable condition, and his performance in every way was splendid. There are qualities of the cornet-a-piston which he develops better than any other player, and his execution is certainly marvelous. Mr. LEVY will play to-morrow night, assisted by Mrs. ANNIE KEMP BOWLER, Mr. BROCKHOUSE BOWLER, Mr. HARRY SANDERSON and Mr. G. W. COLBY.

Our readers must not forget that Mr. OLE BULL's concert in aid of the members of his troupe who lost their trunks, &c., on the Ohio River, takes place to-night at Steinway Hall. The artists who participate on the occasion—in more senses than one—are Miss S. W. BARTON, Mr. G. F. HALL, Mr. G. W. MORGAN, Mr. J. M. PATTISON and Mr. EGBERT LANSIG.

"Orphée aux Enfers" will be given for the

TELEGRAMS.

CUBA.

The Insurgents at Guanaja—A Suspicious Steamer from Pensacola.

HAVANA, Thursday, Feb. 18. } Via KEY WEST, Friday, Feb. 19. }

The insurgents hold Guanaja, a fort south of the Roman City. They have fortified the town, and have batteries mounted with brass cannon and manned by Americans. The water in front of the position has a depth of eight feet, and the guns bear upon the narrow channel by which the town can only be approached from the sea. The Government at Havana is equipping a flotilla of launches for an attack on Guanaja.

A landing has been effected by a rebel expedition at Cocbinos.

It is reported that the steamer *Henry Burden* left Pensacola with suspicious designs, and two Spanish war vessels are cruising in search of her.

It is whispered here that Secretary SEWARD has made strong representations to the Government at Madrid in regard to the death of Mr. COSSMA, and other outrages which have occurred in Havana, and that he has asked that condign punishment be visited upon the perpetrators.

The steamer *Pelago* has sailed for Nuevitas and Santiago, with twenty artillerymen and four pieces of artillery.

One thousand Chasseurs arrived to-day from Spain and landed amid enthusiastic demonstrations.

The *Diario* says Gen. CESPEDES and the greater part of the rebels are within the jurisdiction of Holguin. They draw their supplies from the Haciendas. The Spanish forces in arms on the island number 70,000 men.

Advices from Holguin to the 7th inst. have been received. The communication with the troops there has been cut off by the insurgents, who surround the town and intercept supplies of cattle.

Families are flying from Remedios alarmed at the approach of the rebellion. The telegraph lines connecting with Havana have been destroyed and mails have been captured by the insurgents.

At Jagnay a party of one hundred insurgents were surprised; sixty were captured and the rest dispersed.

The insurgents were near Trinidad on the 17th. They were under the command of RIONOS and BRAVO.

At Cienfuegos it is reported that the troops have retaken Manicaragua, with two hundred insurgents prisoners.

Troops have been sent again to Santiago, Manzanimo and Bayamo, but operations have been suspended by superior orders, and VALMASEDA's forces have been divided between Santiago, Jiguani and Bayamo.

NULANES and others have surrendered themselves to VALMASEDA, and asked for permission to leave the country.

HAVANA, Friday, Feb. 19.

A proclamation has been issued by the Captain-General, closing to foreign and domestic shipping ports east of Bay of Cadiz Lighthouse, on the northern coast of the island, and those of east of Cienfuegos, on the southern coast. All ports provided with Custom-houses, however, are excepted from the operation of this decree.

Orders have been issued requiring citizens to deliver to the authorities all private arms.

Gen. W. F. SMITH positively declines the appointment of Consul-General of the United States at Havana.

FRANCE.

The Amount of Bullion in the Bank of France.

PARIS, Friday, Feb. 19.

The regular weekly statement of the condition of the Bank of France is published to-day. The amount of bullion in vault has increased to the extent of 18,000,000 francs since last week.

GREAT BRITAIN.

The London Times on the Alabama Treaty.

LONDON, Friday, Feb. 19.

The London *Times*, in an article on the *Alabama* treaty, says the want of a definite basis of arbitration will reconcile England to the rejection of the Convention by the United States. This point should be kept clearly in view in the event of offers for further negotiations. England now awaits proposals from America.

The *Times* continues: "We have done our best; we have gone to the verge of national humiliation to secure a settlement of the questions at issue. We shall now wait for propositions from the new Administration under Gen. GRANT. It is admitted that the claims are a fair subject for friendly arbitration."

The Arrival at Queenstown of the Racing Steamships.

QUEENSTOWN, Friday, Feb. 19.

The steamships *Russia* and *City of Paris* arrived at this port early this morning—the *Russia* at 6:30, and the *City of Paris* at 5 o'clock. These steamers left New-York on the 10th inst.

The steamship *Pennsylvania*, of the National Line, arrived here yesterday.

GEORGIA.

A Meeting of Conservative Republicans at Atlanta—A Large Seizure of Tobacco and Whisky.

ATLANTA, Ga., Friday, Feb. 19.

A mass meeting, called last night by the Conservative Republicans who believe that Georgia has been reconstructed according to law, and who support the incoming Administration, was broken up by a packed crowd, led by Attorney-Gen. FARROW. Judge DUNNING was placed in the chair, and, amid great confusion, a set of resolutions was read and adopted that Georgia was not reconstructed, and that Congress has not kept its pledge to the Southern Union men.

Dr. BARD, of the *New Era*, supported by the leading Conservative Republicans, entered a solemn protest against the usurpation of the extreme Republicans in thus gagging and throttling the true purpose of republicanism in Georgia, and branded the proceedings as inimical to the best interests of the people of Georgia and the Union, and calculated to drive from the Republican Party many who heretofore opposed reconstruction, but who are now willing to accept it as the most direct road to peace and good government.

At a subsequent meeting a resolution was adopted to hold a meeting on Saturday night. To-day a resolution was adopted by the Legislature tendering the hall for the holding of such meeting.

Assessor WATSON and a Government detective, to-day, seized 426 boxes of tobacco and 160 barrels of whisky, for violation, by the owners, of the Internal Revenue laws.

In the House, yesterday, a member of the Finance Committee presented a minority report on the Governor's and Treasurer's imbroglio, which was read and adopted in lieu of the majority report, by yeas 95, nays 27. The minority report states that after a careful analysis of the mass of testimony, it develops the facts that the Governor expended $25,000 without precedent or authority of the law; that the amount did not pass through the Treasury, and was not drawn therefrom in the usual way, and the first notification the Treasurer had was in the statement of the bank account of the State, received on the 6th of January. The report calls attention to the fact that the Governor did not in his annual message nor since officially communicate to the Legislature the facts connected with the unauthorized expenditure; that the items for heating, lighting carpeting, furniture, &c., amount to $50,750, leaving $19,250 yet due and unpaid. The report says that the furniture of the Milledgeville Capitol is serviceable for present use, and that the outlay of $40,000 for fitting up the building used for State-house purposes for ten years only was simply reckless extravagance; and that the Legislature, last session, distinctly refused to authorize the Governor to purchase heating and lighting apparatus for the temporary Capitol, and the Governor acted in direct violation to the will of the Legislature. It commends the Treasurer for the course pursued by him, and says that no emergency existed demanding the Governor's extraordinary departure from the law and action of the Executive of the State; that the facts set forth develop the necessity for further legislation for the security of the Treasury, and that no appropriation be made to cover the $60,000 expended.

The Excitement in San Francisco About the White Pine Mines—Proceedings in the Nevada Legislature.

SAN FRANCISCO, Friday, Feb. 19.

The excitement about the White Pine Mines is increasing. Fifty-four companies have gone to the mines, and there been incorporated, with nominal capitals aggregating $22,000,000.

The Board of Brokers is considering the propriety of adopting more stringent rules regulating the admission of new stocks.

The Legislature of Nevada has passed a constitutional amendment providing for biennial sessions, limited to ninety days each; also a resolution asking Congress to annex to Nevada the territory south of Snake River.

The work on the Virginia and Truckee Railroad has commenced.

The Victoria Legislature has rejected the confederation scheme by a vote of 11 to 5.

The contest for Delegate from Washington Territory has actively begun.

An Expected Outbreak Between Spaniards and Cuban Refugees at New-Orleans.

NEW-ORLEANS, Friday, Feb. 19.

The trouble brewing between the Cuban refugees and Spanish residents in this city has occasioned a communication from the Spanish Consul to the Governor, asking for Governmental interference, with a view to the prevention of difficulties, which are likely to occur at any moment, and pledging his own efforts to prevent a disturbance of the public peace. The matter has been referred to the Chief of Police.

The Civil Equality bill hangs fire in the Senate on the House amendments, the Senate refusing to concur in those providing that the act shall take effect April 1, and that the cases arising under it shall be preferred in all State Courts.

Both Houses of the Legislature are holding evening sessions. Only eleven more days of the session remain.

An Earthquake in Washington Territory—Proceedings in the British Columbia Legislature.

SAN FRANCISCO, Thursday, Feb. 18.

The Legislature of British Columbia, after a long debate, decided against Confederation. The vote stood eleven against five in favor. The appropriation for the encouragement of female immigration to British Columbia was unanimously passed by the Council.

The English gunboat *Satellite* arrived at Victoria yesterday from China and Japan.

An earthquake shock of several seconds' duration was felt at Port Townsend, Washington Territory, on the 11th inst.

Destruction by Fire at Memphis—An Outrage of the Arkansas Militia.

MEMPHIS, Friday, Feb. 19.

A fire occurred here last night, which destroyed three houses on Casey-street. Loss $10,000; partially insured.

JOHN DAVIS was shot by the Arkansas militiamen at Mound City, Ark., on Saturday, and died on Monday. The perpetrator of the deed was arrested by the militia and tried by Court-martial on Tuesday, and condemned to be shot on Wednesday.

Gov. Brownlow Declares Martial Law in Tennessee.

NASHVILLE, Friday, Feb. 19.

Gov. BROWNLOW will issue a proclamation to-morrow declaring martial law in the Counties of Jackson, Gibson, Maury, Madison, Haywood, Lawrence, Giles, Marshal and Overton. Gen. COOPER has been ordered to send troops to those counties, and to arrest and punish all evil-doers without reference to civil law.

The Verdict in the Caldwell Fire Case at Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, Friday, Feb. 19.

At the Coroner's inquest to-day on the persons who lost their lives at the Caldwell fire, a verdict was returned that "after the patient hearing of numerous witnesses, we are unable to determine the manner in which the fire originated."

A Trotting Match on the Ice at Poughkeepsie.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., Friday, Feb. 19.

The trotting horses *Cribbins* and *Young Burger* contested at Tivoli to-day for a purse of $200, mile heats, best two in three, on the ice. *Young Burger* was the victor, the quickest time being 2:53. They have been matched for another race. Both horses are well known along the Hudson.

PERSONAL.

Admiral FARRAGUT has promised to address the boys at the Newsboy's Lodging-house, No. 49 Park-place, next Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Prof. JAMES ORTON, of Rochester, N. Y., the leader of the late scientific expedition across the Andes, and down the Valley of the Amazon, has accepted the Professorship of Natural History at Vassar College, and will enter upon his duties there on the 1st of May.

LAMARTINE is said to be writing a new poem of about six hundred lines, to be called "Forgetfulness." It is to form his "Literary Testament."

The publication of Mr. TROLLOPE'S "He knew He was Right" is resumed in this week's number of *Every Saturday*, and will be continued, say the conductors of that journal, without interruption until the story is completed.

Mr. WILLIAM MICHAEL ROSETTI is engaged on a new edition of SHELLEY'S works and a life of the poet.

BRENTANO has received a full supply of the London magazines for February, *Temple Bar*, *The Gentleman's Magazine*, *Cornhill*, *Tinsley's*, *London Society*, *Belgravia*, *Macmillan*, &c., and any one desirous of laying in a stock of pleasant Sunday reading can find an excellent variety at his establishment.

Descent on Gambling Houses.

At a late hour last night, Sergeant DILKS, assisted by Officers BUSTRED, CROSBY, FLEMING and ROBINSON, made a descent on the gambling house, kept by EUGENE KELLY, ANDREWS and SWEEZY, at the corner of Broadway and Bleecker-street and No. 804 Broadway. The complainant in the case was Mr. JOSEPH MCNAULT, of No. 129 Forty-third-street, who alleged that he lost large sums of money at play in these houses. The descent of the officers was quite unexpected. In the Broadway house twenty-six persons were arrested, and in the Bleecker-street house eight. A large quantity of gambling implements were also secured, comprising 240 ivory checks, gambling tables, silver dealing boxes, cards, and some cash.

The prisoners were taken to the Eighth Ward Station-house, and this morning they will be arraigned before the Fourth District Court.

Ocean Steamers—The Commercial Navigation Company and the Bills Before Congress.

WASHINGTON, Tuesday, Feb. 16, 1869.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

There is a large gathering here of parties interested in the various steamship schemes which are now before the Senate, and they are all anxiously waiting for the result of the vote on the Commercial Navigation Company's bill, which is expected to be given on Thursday evening. As the bill will, if it passes Congress, give a monopoly of all the European mails to one Company, the other applicants will have to retire. If, on the other hand, it is defeated in the Senate by a decisive vote, it will demoralize the rival schemes, and in all probability dispose of the whole subject until next Winter.

This result is desired by many of the best friends of the American navigation interests in Congress and out of it. Much as they desire to see lines of American steamers plying to the principal ports of Europe, they are not content to see bills like those of the Commercial Navigation Company and the National Steamship Company become law. The latter bill was lately severely and justly criticised in your columns, and the bill of the Commercial Company is scarcely less objectionable.

It gives the carriage of all the European mails to the Company, and provides for the building of seven steamers only, just enough for a weekly line; so that instead of having four mail departures per week, we will have only one; and at the same time pay more than double the price for that one departure that we now pay for four. The present cost of transporting the mails across the Atlantic is less than $400,000 [illegible] and the Commercial Company is over $600,000 per annum, and the profit of $200,000 to $300,000, which we now make on the service, is to be given away to a Company, which proposes to diminish instead of increasing our postal facilities with Europe. And this is not all that this greedy Company asks for. Senator RAMSEY has given notice of an amendment to his joint resolution, in which he asks that the Company may issue bonds, which are to be registered by the Postmaster-General and "paid to the Company upon the completion of each steamship, to an amount not exceeding the actual cost thereof," the interest on such bonds to be paid by the Postmaster-General. The interest on the said bonds is not to exceed three-fourths of the estimated postage receipts, based on the average receipts of 1868 and 1869. These receipts are, as before stated, about $600,000 per annum. The interest on the bonds may therefore run up to $450,000 per annum, permitting an issue of $7,500,000 six per cent. bonds—just enough to pay for the seven ships and their belongings; so that the Government not only pays for the steamers, but gives the Company $150,000 besides. This certainly is a novel and pleasant mode of obtaining a fine fleet of steamships, but is it quite fair to the public, who have to pay for the ships and do not participate in the profits?

There are other objectionable features connected with this Company which it is unnecessary to mention here. I have strong hopes that the Senate will throw out the bill by a decisive vote on Thursday evening, and put a quietus on this and all other steamship projects which are now before them, and let the whole subject lie over for a new Congress and new Administration to deal with in a broad and liberal, but impartial spirit. We must have American steam lines to Europe, and must pay something for them; but they should be allotted an open tender from responsible parties, who are able and willing to pay for their own steamships.

It is very certain that if steamships will not pay an interest on their cost sufficiently large to induce our capitalists to build them, it is not the right thing for the Government to undertake the business, and pay all the cost, while a party of speculators take the profits, if there should be any.

Yours, truly, ARGUS.

The Fictitious Ocean Race.

To the Editor of the Sun:

SIR: I am instructed by Mr. CUNARD to say that the statements contained in two paragraphs of your issue of yesterday, in a pretended race between the *Russia* and *City of Paris*, are entirely untrue. No such race has been agreed upon, nor is there any competition between these ships as to speed, nor has the *Russia* been advertised by Mr. CUNARD in the usual manner, but sailed entirely full of cargo. The starting of the *City of Paris* in advance of her usual day was in no manner connected with the sailing of the *Russia*, but was for an entirely different cause, which was well known to the mercantile community. DANIEL D. LORD.

No. 2 EXCHANGE-PLACE, Feb. 18, 1869.

Important Invention.

We would call the attention of our readers to the advertisement of the New-England Steam Heating Company, as well as to their programme to the public for the purpose of forming a corporation to be called the New-York Steam Heating Company, and to be based upon the inventions of Prof. JOHNSON, a gentleman well known in our community. The discovery is a new application of steam for heating rooms, houses, &c. Having examined the invention in practical operation, at No. 612 Broadway, we are frank in saying, if it is all that is claimed for it, we can see no reason why it will not prove a perfect success. Suffice it to say that we consider every step in progress well worthy the attention of the public, and we recommend all so call to examine and judge for themselves of the merits of this important invention.

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MARRIED.

LEGGETT—SHARP.—In Brooklyn, on Wednesday, Feb. 17, at the residence of the bride's parents, by Rev. Thos. L. Cuyler, D. D., LEWIS LEGGETT, of New-York, to LOUISE, daughter of Wm. Sharp, Jr.

WADDELL—DERICKSON.—On Thursday evening, Feb. 18, at the Street Presbyterian Church, by Rev. W. D. Buckley, D. D., ROBERT J. WADDELL to Miss SADIE E. DERICKSON, eldest daughter of Samuel Derickson, all of this City.

DIED.

BARNABY.—On Tuesday, Feb. 16, T. B. BARNABY, Esq., of this City, aged 49 years.

The relatives and friends of his brother-in-law, T. P. Saunders, No. 127 East 20th-st., on Sunday, at 4 o'clock P. M. Friends are invited to attend the funeral without further invitation.

BEVIER.—At his residence, Babylon, L. I., on Thursday, Feb. 18, in the 61st year of his age, JAMES T. BEVIER, formerly of this City.

The relatives and friends of the family, without further notice, are respectfully invited to attend the funeral from the Presbyterian Church, at Babylon, on Sunday, the 21st inst., at 1 o'clock P. M. A special train will leave Long Island City, Williamsburg Island Railroad, at 9¼ A. M. precisely, returning after the services and stopping at Jamaica, South Oyster Bay and Amityville. The Grand-st. and Rockville-st. Ferries, from New-York, connect directly with the train.

BRYANT.—In Brooklyn, on Thursday, Feb. 18, ELIHU BRYANT, in his 56th year.

Funeral at his residence, 180 Quincy-st., near Nostrand-av., at 3 P. M. this day, (Saturday.) Friends of the family invited.

BIGELOW.—On Friday, Feb. 19, of scarlet fever, CHARLES TEBBETS, only child of Wm. H. and Harriet M. Bigelow, aged 5 years, 7 months and 21 days.

Funeral services at the residence of his parents, Stapleton Monday afternoon, Staten Island, Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

COLES.—At Tarrytown, on Thursday evening, Feb. 18, after a lingering illness, STEPHEN, youngest son of Joseph and Eliza Coles.

The relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral at the residence of his parents, on Tuesday, the 23d inst., at 1½ o'clock. Train leaves 30th-st. at 11½ A. M. Carriages will be in waiting at the depot.

CLEARE.—Suddenly, on Thursday, Feb. 18, WILLIAM DUNNOCK CLEARE.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend his funeral from the church, corner of 16th-st. and 9th-av., on Saturday, the 20th inst., at 11 o'clock A. M. His remains will be taken to Green-Wood for interment.

CRANE.—On Wednesday, Feb. 17, HATTIE CLAUDINE, daughter of B. Frank and Mary Augusta Crane, aged 2 years and 10 months.

Relatives and friends of the family are requested to attend the funeral on Saturday, the 20th inst., at 11 A. M., from the residence of her parents, No. 414 West 44th-st.

DUERKEE.—In Brooklyn, on Thursday, Feb. 18, JULIUS A. DUERKEE, in the 56th year of his age.

Funeral services at his late residence, No. 276 Henry-st., on Saturday morning, at 9 o'clock. The remains will be taken to Rhinebeck for interment.

DORR.—On Thursday, Feb. 18, JAMES A. DORR, late a member of the New-York Bar, aged 38 years.

FORD.—At Port Richmond, S. I., on Thursday, Feb. 18, CULLEN O. FORD, aged 8 years.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral from Trinity Chapel, Twenty-fifth, on Sunday afternoon at 12½ o'clock. Boat leaves foot of Rector-st., North River, foot of Cortlandt-st., at 11 o'clock A. M.

JORDAN.—On Thursday, Feb. 18, EMELINE C. JORDAN, wife of the late Lawrence P. Jordan, in the 54th year of her age.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend the funeral on Sunday, the 21st inst., at 2 P. M., from her late residence, No. 48 Lexington-av.

LINEHEARGE.—On Friday, Feb. 19, GEORGE P. LINEHEARGE, aged 8 years.

The relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral from his late residence, No. 102 Lafayette-av., Brooklyn, E. D., on Sunday, the 21st inst., at 2 P. M.

MELVILLE.—On Thursday morning, Feb. 18, MARTHA MELVILLE, in the 76th year of her age.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend the funeral from the residence of her nephew, Wm. F. Browne, on Rockwood-av., second house north of Willoughby-av., Brooklyn, on Saturday, Feb. 20, at 3 o'clock P. M.

☞ Newport and Providence, R. I., papers please copy.

MERCHANT.—In this City, on Thursday evening, Feb. 18, CHARLES SPENCER, only child of Charles L. and Elizabeth Wolcott Merchant, in the 6th year of his age.

Funeral services will be held at Calvary Church, corner of 21st-st. and 6th-av., this (Saturday) Feb. 20, at 11 o'clock A. M. Relatives and friends are invited to attend.

NATHANS.—Suddenly, on Thursday, Feb. 18, at Philadelphia, while visiting her sick city, Mrs. FELIX AMELIA NATHANS, wife of John J. Nathans, of New-York City.

The funeral will take place in Philadelphia, from the residence of her uncle, Mr. John Child, Esq., No. 1608 North-st., on Monday afternoon, the 22d inst., at 3 o'clock, to proceed to Laurel Hill Cemetery.

PELL.—Suddenly, on Thursday, Feb. 18, at her residence, No. 6 Hopkins, Brooklyn, Mrs. M. A. PELL, wife of A. A. Pell.

Funeral on Sunday, the 21st inst., at 2 o'clock P. M. Relatives and friends are invited to attend.

SEAPTHER.—At his residence, 7 Hudson, on Friday, Feb. 19, PAUL SEAPTHER, in the 80th year of his age.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral on Sunday, the 21st inst., at 1 o'clock, from St. Mark's Church, corner of 10th-st. and 2d-av.

WILLETT.—On Saturday, Feb. 13, at the residence of his father, Joseph Ross, Monmouth County, N. J., of pneumonia, MARY E. WILLETT, relict of Capt. Jedidiah Willet, in the 77th year of her age.

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TREASURY OFFICE, NEW-YORK, Feb. 15, 1869.

THE INJUNCTION, LATELY EXISTING, prohibiting transfers of portions of the stock of this Company having been dissolved, notice is hereby given that books for transfer will be opened on the morning of Monday, the 15th inst., and will be closed at the close of business on Saturday, the 27th inst.

Owing to the considerable time for which the books have been closed, because of the recent litigation, and the probable large amount of stock awaiting transfer, it is important that the parties entitled to the dividend heretofore advertised for the 20th inst. until the 15th of March next.

For the purpose of facilitating the preparations for the payment, stockholders desiring to transfer stock are requested to do so without delay.

The payment of the Dividend on the "Interest Certificates," issued under the resolution of the Company passed February 16, 1864, will be made at the time and in all respects until the further order of the Court.

An Engraved "Interest Certificate," in more appropriate form, is being prepared for substitution for the printed one now outstanding, of which notice will be given when the exchanges can be made.

E. D. WORCESTER, Treasurer.

OFFICE OF THE CLEVELAND AND TOLEDO RAILROAD CO., Feb. 11, 1869.

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MERCHANTS' AND MECHANICS' NATIONAL BANK OF TROY.—Notice is hereby given that 4 votes of the shareholders owning two dollars in stock are entitled to one vote. Legislation and be closed; this date relation to the stock accordingly.

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THE JERSEY CITY SINKING FUND Commission will receive bids for the purchase, by them, of $200,000 City Bonds, bearing Seven per Cent. Water Bonds. Said Bids will be received until the 20th inst., at 3 p.m., when the same will be opened and decided upon. Bids to be addressed to the Commissioners down best for the interest of the City, and sealed to be inclosed in sealed envelopes and addressed "to the Commissioners of the Jersey City Sinking Fund, Comptroller's Office, City Hall, Jersey City."

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Commissioners of the Jersey City Sinking Fund.

DELAWARE, LACKAWANNA AND WESTERN R. R. CO., GENERAL OFFICE, No. 23 EXCHANGE-PLACE, NEW-YORK, Feb. 1, 1869.

THE ANNUAL SELECTION FOR OFFICERS and Directors of this Company, for the ensuing year, will be held at this office, on TUESDAY, the 23d day of February, inst., at 12 o'clock M.

The polls will be open between 12 o'clock M. and 1 o'clock P. M.

The transfer books will be closed from the evening of the 20 inst. until the morning of the 24th inst.

By order of the Board of Directors.

CHARLES GARRIT, Secretary.

THE QUICKSILVER MINING COMPANY, CHARTERED BY THE STATE OF NEW-YORK. OFFICE NO. 18 NASSAU-ST., NEW-YORK.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders will be held at the office of the Company, in the City of New-York, on WEDNESDAY, Feb. 24, 1869, at 1 o'clock P. M. The annual election of Directors will be held at the same place, between the hours of 2 and 3 P. M. of said day, for the purpose of electing Directors of such consolidated Company.

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DIVIDENDS.

OFFICE OF THE CHICAGO AND ALTON R. R. CO., CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 15, 1869.

NOTICE.—THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE Chicago and Alton Railroad Company are hereby notified that a Dividend of Five per Cent. free of Government tax, on the Preferred and Common Stock of said Company, payable at the office of the Company's agents, Messrs. M. K. Jesup & Co., No. 11 Pine-st., New-York, on MONDAY, the 1st day of March next, to the holders of said stock, as registered at closing of books.

The transfer books will be closed on the 16th inst. and reopened for transfers on the 1st of March next.

WM. M. LARRABEE, Secretary and Treasurer.

MACON, Ga., Feb. 13, 1869.

DIVIDEND NO. 47.—THE BOARD OF DIrectors of the Macon and Western Railroad Company have this day declared a Dividend from the earnings of the road since Feb. 1, 1869, of Five Cents, free from Government tax, payable on and after March 15, 1869.

The transfer books will be closed from Feb. 25 to March 15, inclusive.

Dividend payable to shareholders registered in the New-York Agency of the National Bank of the Republic, New-York. MILO S. FREEMAN, Secretary and Treasurer.

OFFICE OF PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY, 299 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Feb. 17, 1869.

THIRTY-NINTH DIVIDEND.—NOTICE is hereby given that the Board of Directors have this day declared a Dividend of Three per Cent. out of the net earnings for the quarter ending 31st inst., payable at this Company's office, MONDAY, March 1. The transfer books will be closed Saturday, 20th inst., 3 P. M., and reopened Wednesday, March 3, 1869, at 10 A. M. Dividends to Stockholders in Europe Respectfully notified. THEODORE T. JOHNSON, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE EMPIRE GAS COAL CO., No. 119 BROADWAY, ROOM No. 15, NEW-YORK, Feb. 16, 1869.

THE DIRECTORS OF THE EMPIRE GAS COAL COMPANY have this day declared a dividend of Seven (7) per Cent. on the capital stock from the earnings of the Company, for the year 1868, payable at the office of the Company, on and after March 1. Transfer books closed from Feb. 20 to March 2. G. LEE STOUT, Treasurer.

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NEW-YORK SAVINGS BANK, 5TH-AV. and 14th-st.—SIX PER CENT. INTEREST paid on all sums from $5 to $5,000, on deposits on or before March 1, will draw interest from March 1.
R. H. BULL, President.
J. F. HERLEE, Vice-President.
C. W. BENEDICKS, Secretary.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

CORPORATION NOTICE.

Public notice is hereby given to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants of all houses and lots, improved or unimproved lands, affected thereby, that the following lists of assessments have been completed and are in the office of the Board of Assessors for examination by all persons interested, viz.:

1st—For flagging sidewalks on 41st-st., from 8th to 11th-av.

2d—For flagging Avenue B, east side, from 12th to 14th-st.

3d—For flagging sidewalks on 47th-st., from 11th-av. to 1 foot west of 12th-av.

4th—For flagging sidewalks and setting and resetting curb and gutter stones on the southwesterly corner of 21-st. and 2d-av.

5th—For flagging, regrading, setting curb and gutter stones in 111th-st., from 2d to 4th-av.

6th—For flagging sidewalks on 46th-st., from 6th to 9th-av.

The limits embraced by each assessment, include all the several houses and lots of ground, vacant lots, pieces and parcels of land, situated on

1st—Both sides of 41st-st., from 8th to 11th-av.

2d—Both sides of 14th-st., from Avenue B to 16th-st.

3d—Both sides of 47th-st., from 11th-av. to Hudson River.

4th—The southerly side of 21st-st., from 2d-av. to a distance of 100 feet westerly.

5th—Both sides of 111th-st., from 2d to 4th-av.

6th—Both sides of 46th-st., from 6th to 9th-av.

All persons whose interests are affected by the above assessments, and who are opposed to the same, or either of them, are requested to present their objections in writing to Isaac O. Hunt, Chairman of the Board of Assessors, at their office, No. 32 Chambers-st., between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 P. M., on the three succeeding business days, within thirty days from the date of this notice.

ISAAC O. HUNT,
E. HARRISON REED,
GUERNSEY SACKETT,
Board of Assessors.

OFFICE BOARD OF ASSESSORS, New Court-house, Feb. 12, 1869.

CITY OF NEW-YORK, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, BUREAU OF THE RECEIVER OF TAXES, COURT-HOUSE, PARK, No. 32 Chambers-st.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the assessments in the following cases are to be paid at the office of ANDREW J. SMITH, Esq., Attorney for the Collection of Arrears of Personal Taxes, No. 128 Nassau-st., and that the books relating to the same are now in his hands for collection:

No person but the said attorney or the undersigned is authorized to receive or receipt for such arrears, except in cases of warrants issued. Remember, when the said attorney has the books and warrants, he alone has legal authority to collect the same and issue Satisfaction. All warrants heretofore issued to enforce the payment of any Personal Taxes are hereby countermanded. Dated New-York, Feb. 12, 1869.

BERNARD SMYTH, Receiver.

IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF William D. Veeder, Esq., Surrogate of the County of Kings, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against DEARLES R. WHITE, late of the City of Brooklyn, County of Kings, that they are required to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, the executor, at his office, in the City of Brooklyn, in said County, on or before the 8th day of May next. Dated Feb. 8, 1869.

JOHN A. SWITZER, Executor.

IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF the Surrogate of Rockland County, in the State of New-York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against ANN SHEARWERING, late of Nyack, Rockland County, State of New-York, deceased, to present the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at his residence, No. 32 West 41st-st., in the City of New-York, on or before the 12th day of July next. Dated New-York, Jan. 12, 1869.

WM. MACRAY, Executor.

PROPOSALS.

SEALED PROPOSALS

Will be received by the trustees of the Ninth Ward, at the office of the Clerk of the Board of Education, corner of Grand street and Education place, on the 24 day of March, 1869, at 4 o'clock, P. M., for excavating, removing and furnishing Primary School No. 12, on the lot on 4th-st. of Wooster, near Bleecker-st., in said Ward. Plans and specifications can be seen at the office of the Superintendent of Buildings and Repairs, No. 146 Grand-st., third floor.

Proposals must be made for each branch of the work separately, and be indorsed "Proposal for Mason Work," "Proposal for Carpenter Work," "Proposal for Painting," "Proposal for Heating," "Proposal for Plumbing."

Two responsible and approved sureties will be required from each successful bidder, and no proposal will be considered in which no sureties are named. The undersigned reserve the right to reject any or all of the proposals offered, if deemed for the public interest to do so. JAMES HARRISON,
CHARLES E. WRIGHT,
J. MATHEWSON,
JAMES W. FARR,
JAMES W. SOOTH,
Board of Trustees Ninth Ward.

Dated New-York, 14, 1869.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED by the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, at the office of the Clerk of the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm sts., until MONDAY, the 1st day of March, 1869, at 3 o'clock P. M., for "Adding and Modifications" to the Grammar Primary School No. 1, situated on the west side of Tallman-st., between Delancey-st. and Hall Ward. Plans and specifications can be seen at the office of the Superintendent of Buildings and Repairs, No. 146 Grand-st., third floor.

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WILLIAM MCCAFFIL,
BENJ. F. SHAFFER,
Board of Trustees Twelfth Ward.

DATED Feb. 18, 1869.

CONTRACTORS—TO SUPPLY CHARCOAL and ore to three blast furnaces in North Carolina. Men of experience and responsibility may apply to H. C. LUCK, No. 32 Broadway.

AUCTION SALES.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.

HOUSES AND LOTS ON 75TH-ST. AT AUCTION.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, P. R. WILKINS & CO. will sell at auction, on TUESDAY, Feb. 23, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, NINE of the four three-story and basement brick houses and lots, situate on the south side of 75th-st., between Third and Lexington avenues, as follows: Each house is 18 feet 6 inches front, 50 feet deep, have brown-stone trimmings, tapered hard-pine woodwork throughout, finished complete, and contain the modern improvements.

Maps at the office of the auctioneers, No. 7 Pine-st.

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VALUABLE LOTS ON 83-AV. AT AUCTION.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, P. R. WILKINS & CO. will sell at auction on TUESDAY, Feb. 23, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, SIX-DAY-Eight lots on the west side of 83-av., comprising the entire front between 47th and 48th sts. Maps with full particulars at No. 7 Pine-st.

JOHN G. SHEARS & CO., Auctioneers.

MORTGAGE SALE OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.—TUESDAY, Feb. 23, at 10 o'clock A. M., the entire furniture of the house No. 28 Lafayette-place, between Astor-place and 4th-st., New-York. Particulars on Monday.

AUCTION SALES.

HORACE WILKINS, Auctioneer.

THE

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AND

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Maps of the property can be had at the office of the auctioneers, No. 5 Pine-st.

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70TH, (70th-st. is 70 feet wide and leads to the grand entrance to the Central Park,)

80TH, 81ST AND 82D STS.,

between the

CENTRAL PARK

AND

BOULEVARD,

MADISON AND 4TH AVS., 109TH, 110TH AND 116TH STS.,

being part of the estate of the late Jacob Lorillard, will be sold at auction on

TUESDAY, FEB. 23, 1869,

at 12 o'clock M., at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, P. R. WILKINS & CO.,
AUCTIONEERS,

under the direction of the undersigned.

Seventy-five per cent of the purchase money may remain on

BOND AND MORTGAGE.

Maps at the office of the auctioneers.

THOMAS WARD,
H. P. BAILEY.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.

SIXTY-FOUR WEST SIDE LOTS.

ON THE BLOCK BOUNDED BY THE GRAND BOULEVARD, 9th and 10th ave., 62d and 63d sts., 200 feet distant from the CENTRAL PARK, Will be sold at auction ON TUESDAY, MARCH 2, AT 12 O'CLOCK, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, BY ADRIAN H. MULLER, P. R. WILKINS & CO., under the direction of MESSRS. LEWIS B. BROWN AND CLARENCE A. BROWN.

This property, most eligibly located, and on high ground, will be sold with restrictions as against nuisances, which said restrictions will also cover the block and which will thus secure the property for first-class improvements.

TERMS UNUSUALLY LIBERAL, VIZ.: 10 per cent. on day of sale; 10 per cent. on 4th May, balance in seven equal payments, bond and mortgage for 3 or 4 years. Parties taking title before 4th May will be allowed interest from time of taking deed to 4th May.

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The sellers pledge themselves that the sale of this property is

OPEN AND FREE IN EVERY RESPECT,

and that there shall be no bidding in their behalf.

Maps at the office of the auctioneers, No. 7 Pine-st., or at office of LEWIS B. BROWN, No. 38 Broadway.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.

EXECUTORS' SALE OF VALUABLE PROPERTY, WEST-ST., SOUTHEAST CORNER HOBOKEN-ST., COLLINS-STREET.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, P. R. WILKINS & CO. will sell at auction, on THURSDAY, Feb. 25, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, the lot of land, with the brick building thereon, situate on the southeast corner of West and Hoboken sts., known as "Collins Hotel," opposite the Albany steamboat landing, 42x80 feet. Particulars May 1, 1869.

Maps at office of auctioneers, No. 7 Pine-st.

ADRIAN H. MULLER & CO., No. 7 Pine-st.

EDWARD SCHENCK, Auctioneer.

ADMIRABLE TROTTING AND FAST TROTTING AND BLOODED STOCK.

The property of the late DAVID VITULLO, Esq.

By EDWARD SCHENCK, on MONDAY, Feb. 22 inst., at 2½ o'clock, A. M., at the stable of Mr. Underhill, Fifth-st., near Avenue A, the chestnut gelding, 5½ hands, seven years old, sired by Jupiter; out of an Abdallah mare, full brother to Pearsall, trial time; also brother to same blood.

Chestnut gelding, 15½ hands, seven years old, fast and good roadster.

Black mare, Belle of Westchester, very fast.

All the above are perfectly sound and kind.

Light top wagon, with pole and shafts.

Sale peremptory.

PUBLIC SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE.—Will sell at public auction, at 12 o'clock, P. M., the valuable farm in Monmouth Co., N. J., situated in Middletown township, 12 miles from Keyport, containing 82 acres, highly cultivated, three apple orchards, one of which is in full bearing, 1,000 of the choicest Trees in abundance, $1,000 of fruit was sold in one year; well adapted for trucking, and produces the finest wheat and grass the yield is not surpassed in the county; two large dwelling houses, one large barn, one large, large and convenient outbuildings, ice-house, &c.; within view of Bay Five Mile Houses, the Narrows, Perth and Sandy Hook Lighthouses, the harbor; is an elegant private residence or summer boarding-house; is near the contemplated railroad from Long Branch to Keyport. Only can be divided into four farms, with dwelling and out-buildings on every one. Sale positive, in amount of doubling value of land. For particulars address ALFRED WALLING, Keyport, or call on or address BRADDWIN & BOGERT, No 23 Broadway, or of JOSEPH HOLMES, on the premises. Steamer Monmouth leaves Barclay-st. at 3 P. M. daily, and propellers different hours, same place. Private sale should have Tuesday, 16th instant. Meeting.

AUCTION SALE OF HOSPITAL PROPERTY.

ASST. MEDICAL PURVEYOR'S OFFICE, WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 17, 1869.

Will be sold at auction, on Friday, 26th inst., at the Judiciary-square Warehouse, East, between 4th and 6th sts., on WEDNESDAY, the 10th day of February, 1869, at 10 o'clock A. M., the following articles, at the Hospital Department, Washington, viz.: 400 wooden bedsteads, 1,000 iron bedsteads, 1,000 cots, 400 camp kettles, 4,000 tin plates, old chairs, desks, tables, etc., etc. Nearly all the articles mentioned are new, and have never been used.

Terms cash. Goods to be removed in five days.

C. SUTHERLAND,
Asst. Med. Purveyor, Brev. Col. U. S. A.

EDWARD M. BOGERT, Auctioneer.

T. R. HINTURN, BROWN & CO.—THIS SALE (Friday) Feb. 19, at 11½ o'clock, on Pier No. 4 East River:

4,000 boxes Fresh Messina Oranges.
700 boxes Fresh Messina Lemons.
Cargo brig Brightwood, from Messina.
Immediately after, on same pier:
8,200 boxes fresh Messina Oranges.
300 boxes fresh Messina Lemons.
Cargo brig J. Brightwood, from Palermo.

J. GOLD, Auctioneer.

VALUABLE BUSINESS PROPERTY Southwest corner of Myrtle and Carlton ave., Brooklyn, to be sold at auction on TUESDAY, Feb. 23, at 12 o'clock, at the Commercial Exchange, No. 52 Fulton-st., opposite the City Hall, Brooklyn, having a front of 50 feet on Myrtle-av., buildings of brick, now used as a stable; can be converted into three stores; rents for about $1,000; a gem of capitalists. For maps, apply at No. 285 Fulton-st.

WM. TOPPING, Auctioneer.

ASSIGNEE'S SALE IN BANKRUPTCY.—We will sell on FRIDAY, March 5, at 10 o'clock, in the forenoon, at our auction room, No. 128 Church-st., a quantity of ground hoop-poles, in boxes, lots, &c., belonging to the estate of Chas. E. Simons, now in bankruptcy, and sold by order of John Todd, Esq., Assignee.

WM. TOPPING & CO., Auctioneers,
No. 128 Church-st.

SEVENTY-FIRST AUCTION SALE of Scranton coal on WEDNESDAY, Feb. 24, 1869. The Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad Company will sell by Messrs. JOHN H. DEARDEN & CO., auctioneers, at the Company's salesroom, 2 Hanover-square, New-York, on WEDNESDAY, Feb. 24, at 12 o'clock noon, 20,000 tons of coal from the Lackawanna regional deliverable at their depot, Elizabethport, N. J., during March.

SAMUEL SLOAN, President.

Boston: SOMERBY, Auctioneer—Salesroom No. 37 Nassau-st., opposite the Post Office.

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, DESK, sofa, mirrors and large assortment of furniture, carpets, &c., will be sold by SOMERBY, at his salesroom, No. 37 Nassau-st., on SATURDAY, Feb. 20, at 10½ o'clock.

GEORGE COOK, Auctioneer.

HOUSEHOLD AND OFFICE FURNITURE, 1 Dearborn-st., Chicago, Ill., at 11 o'clock, on Tuesday, March 2, 1869. Large, fine, and second-hand and new furniture, pianos, safes, &c.

IN BANKRUPTCY.—THE SALE ADVERTISED for the 18th of February, in the matter of REBENEER L. WILLIAMS, a bankrupt, in the New-York Times of 4th February, is hereby adjourned until the 27th February, at the same hour and place.

WM. COVENTRY H. WADDELL,
Of. or Gen. Assignee.

Feb. 18, 1869.

BANKRUPT NOTICES.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE—THAT ON the 9th day of February, A. D. 1869, a warrant in bankruptcy was issued against the estate of DAVID FLESH, of the City of New-York, in the County of New-York, who has been adjudged a bankrupt on his own petition; that the payment of any debts and delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupt, to him, or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupt, to prove their debts and to choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at No. 7 Pine-st., in the City of New-York, before Samuel D. Dwight, Register, on the 3d day of March, A. D. 1869, at 12 o'clock M.

R. MURRAY, U. S. Marshal.
as Messenger Southern District of New-York.

Feb. 18, 1869.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE—THAT ON the 15th day of February, A. D. 1869, a warrant in bankruptcy was issued against the estate of SOLOMON H. HANFORD, of Brooklyn, in the County of Kings and State of New-York, formerly carrying on business in New-York City, who has been adjudged a bankrupt on his own petition; that the payment of any debts and delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupt, to him, or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupt, to prove their debts and to choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at No. 7 Pine-st., in the City of New-York, before James S. Dwight, Register, on the 18th day of March, A. D. 1869, at 12 o'clock M.

R. MURRAY, U. S. Marshal.
as Messenger Southern District of New-York.

Feb. 19, 1869.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE—THAT ON the 11th day of February, A. D. 1869, a warrant in bankruptcy was issued against the estate of HIRAM JONES, of New-York, in the County of Westchester and State of New-York, who has been adjudged a bankrupt on his own petition; that the payment of any debts and delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupt, to him, or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupt, to prove their debts and to choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at No. 7 Pine-st., in the City of New-York, before Samuel D. Dwight, Register, on the 18th day of March, A. D. 1869, at 11 o'clock M.

R. MURRAY, U. S. Marshal.
as Messenger Southern District of New-York.

Feb. 19, 1869.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE—THAT ON the 9th day of February, A. D. 1869, a warrant in bankruptcy was issued against the estate of JACOB PENTZ, both of New-York City, in the County of New-York and State of New-York, who has been adjudged a bankrupt on their own petition; that the payment of any debts and delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupts, to them, or for their use, and the transfer of any property by them are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupts, to prove their debts and to choose one or more assignees of their estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at No. 7 Pine-st., in the City of New-York, before Henry Wilder Allen, Register, on the 16th day of March, A. D. 1869, at 12 o'clock M.

R. MURRAY, U. S. Marshal.
as Messenger Southern District of New-York.

Feb. 19, 1869.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE—THAT ON the 12th day of February, A. D. 1869, a warrant in bankruptcy was issued against the estate of JOSEPH HARRIS, of New-York City, in the County of New-York, and State of New-York, who has been adjudged a bankrupt on his own petition; that the payment of any debts and delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupt, to him, or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupt, to prove their debts and to choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at No. 7 Pine-st., in the City of New-York, before James S. Dwight, Register, on the 8th day of March, A. D. 1869, at 12 o'clock M.

R. MURRAY, U. S. Marshal.
as Messenger Southern District of New-York.

Feb. 19, 1869.

IN BANKRUPTCY.—IN THE DISTRICT Court of the United States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of THEODORE RUEBER, Emil Rueger and Theodore Rueger, bankrupts.—Notice is hereby given that a petition has been filed in said Court by Emil Rueger and Theodore Rueger, of the City of New-York, bankrupts under the act of Congress of March 2, 1867, for a discharge and certificate therefor from all their debts and other claims provable under said act, and that the 16th day of March, 1869, at 12 o'clock M., at the office of John Fitch, Register in Bankruptcy, No. 20 Pine-st., in the City of New-York, is assigned for the hearing of the same, when and where all creditors who have proved their debts and other persons in interest may attend and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the said petition should not be granted.—Dated New-York, on the 4th day of February, 1869.

GEO. F. BETTS, Clerk.

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IN BANKRUPTCY.—IN THE DISTRICT Court of the United States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of HENRY TEN BROOK, bankrupt.—Notice is hereby given that a petition has been filed in said Court by Henry Ten Brook, of the City of New-York, bankrupt under the act of Congress of March 2, 1867, for a discharge and certificate therefor from all his debts and other claims provable under said act, and that the 8th day of March, 1869, at 12 o'clock M., at the office of John Fitch, Register in Bankruptcy, No. 20 Pine-st., in the City of New-York, is assigned for the hearing of the same, when and where all creditors who have proved their debts and other persons in interest may attend and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the said petition should not be granted.—Dated New-York, on the 8th day of February, 1869.

GEO. F. BETTS, Clerk.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE United States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of JOHN F. BROWN, bankrupt.—Notice is hereby given that a petition has been filed in said Court by Henry Daley, praying that he be adjudged a bankrupt, having applied to the Court, Notice is hereby given to all creditors who have proved their debts, and other persons in interest, that the 9th day of March, A. D. 1869, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, at Chambers of the said District Court, before Isaac Dayton, one of the Registers of the said Court in Bankruptcy, at his office, No. 302 Broadway, in the City of New-York, when and where cause may be shown why the prayer of the bankrupt should not be granted, and the petition of the bankrupt should not be granted, and why a discharge should not be granted to the said bankrupt.—Dated New-York, this 12th day of February, 1869.

GEO. F. BETTS, Clerk.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE United States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of CHARLES R. COTTEN, a bankrupt.—At a Court in Bankruptcy, held at No. 32 Chambers-st., in the City of New-York, in and for the

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THE ANCHOR LINE,
Favorite Clyde-built Steamers, are intended to sail
EVERY SATURDAY
From Pier No. 20 North River, 12 o'clock, noon.
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RATES OF PASSAGE PAYABLE IN CURRENCY.
Cabins, to Liverpool, Glasgow or Derry, $80 and $70. Excursion tickets, good for 12 months, $150. Steerage, to Glasgow or Derry, $30; intermediate, $35. Prepaid Certificates from these ports, $27. Passengers booked to and from Hamburg, Havre, Rotterdam, Antwerp, &c., at very low rates. Drafts issued payable at Day-book in Great Britain and Ireland.
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The splendid vessels on this favorite route for the Continent will sail from Pier No. 50 North River as follows:
ST. LAURENT....LEMAIRE...SATURDAY, Feb. 20
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Rates of passage payable in gold, (wine included:) TO BREST OR HAVRE, first cabin, $140; second cabin, $90.
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These steamers do not carry steerage passengers.
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STEAMER SAINT LAURENT FOR Brest and Havre, will leave Pier No. 50 North River, foot of Morton-st., on SATURDAY, 20th February, at noon. Passengers are requested to be on board at 11 o'clock. GEO. MACKENZIE, Agent.

THE BRITISH AND NORTH AMERICAN ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIPS
BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT CORK HARBOR.
SAILING EVERY WEDNESDAY.
CUBA.....Feb. 24 | RUSSIA.....Mar. 17
JAVA.....Mar. 3 | CHINA.....Mar. 24
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Passage money payable in gold.
Cabin.....$120 | Second Cabin.....$60
Cabin to Paris.....$140
No steerage carried.
The owners of these ships will not be accountable for specie or valuables, unless bills of lading having the value expressed are signed therefor.
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FOR LIVERPOOL.
From Pier No. 46 North River, EVERY WEDNESDAYS.
NEVADA (new).....Feb. 24, at 1 P. M.
COLORADO.....March 3, at 9½ A. M.
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Cabin passage, $80, gold; Steerage, $30, currency.
Tickets to bring out passengers from Europe can be obtained on reasonable terms.
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RATES OF PASSAGE FROM NEW-YORK:
Cabin.....$100 | Steerage.....$30 and $32
Steerage.....$30 Currency.
Steerage tickets from Liverpool or Queenstown $34 currency.
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NATIONAL LINE.
THE STEAMSHIP ENGLAND, THOMPSON
Will leave SATURDAY, Feb. 20, at 11 A. M., from Pier No. 47 North River.
Passage to Liverpool or Queenstown: Cabin, $100; Steerage, $30, currency.
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Apply at the Company's office, No. 69 Broadway.
F. W. J. HURST, Manager.

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—Inman Line of mail steamers are appointed to sail as follows:
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CITY OF LONDON.....Saturday, Mar. 6, 12 M.
and each succeeding SATURDAY, and alternate TUESDAY, from Pier No. 45 North River.
RATES OF PASSAGE.
PAYABLE IN GOLD. PAYABLE IN CURRENCY.
First Cabin.....$100 | Steerage.....$30 and $35
To London.....105 | To London.....35 and 40
To Paris.....115 | To Paris.....40 and 47
Halifax.....20 | Halifax.....$15
St. John's, N. F., by steamers.....20 | St. John's, N. F., by steamers.....20
Passengers also forwarded to Havre, Hamburg, Bremen, &c., at reduced rates.
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A special steamer runs to the newly discovered gold region of Hokitika.
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THROUGH LINE TO
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Through rates, New-York to San Francisco:
First Cabin.
Outside. Inside. Second Cabin. Steerage.
$150 $125 $100 $65
Steamers of the above line leave Pier No. 42 North River, foot of Canal-st., at 12 o'clock noon,
FOUR TIMES A MONTH,
On 1st, 9th, 16th and 24th,
except when these days fall on Sunday, then the day previous.
One hundred pounds baggage free to each adult. Medicine and attendance free.
Pier, 24—HENRY CHAUNCEY, Capt. COBBS, connecting with COLORADO, Capt. PARKER.
Steamer leaving March 1 connects closely with steamer GREAT REPUBLIC, leaving San Francisco April 2, for China and Japan.
NOTICE TO SHIPPERS—Freight for steamship HENRY CHAUNCEY received until 4 P. M. on TUESDAY, 23d inst. All usual facilities afforded shippers in collecting inland charges, &c.
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UNITED STATES AND BRAZIL MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
REGULAR MAIL STEAMERS sailing on the 21st of every month:
SOUTH AMERICA, Capt. H. LYTHGOW, Feb. 21.
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These splendid steamers sail on schedule time, and call at St. Thomas, Para, Pernambuco, Bahia and Rio de Janeiro, going and returning. For engagements of freight or passage, apply to
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CARRYING THE ROYAL MAIL.
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Sailing every alternate Thursday, at 3 o'clock P. M., precisely, from Pier No. 4 North River.
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New-York and Mexican Mail Steamship Line sailing every twenty days. The splendid new steamship CITY OF MEXICO, Capt. JOHN DEARE, will leave Pier No. 9 East River, on SATURDAY, Feb. 20, at 10 A. M. Passage to Havana $35 in currency. For freight or passage apply to
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VIA FERNANDINA ROUTE.
The Florida Railroad Company will dispatch the side-wheel steamer
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On SATURDAY, Feb. 20, at 3 P. M., from Pier No. 35 North River, foot of Warren-st. Cargo delivered without lighterage at Mobile. Insurance guaranteed at one and a half per cent. Mobile, Savannah, Charleston and Augusta bills given to Macon, Montgomery, and all points in the interior at lowest rates than any other line.
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Carrying the United States Mails.
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G. W. PAINE, Commander,
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Through rates and through bills of lading given to Galveston, Indianola, Lavaca and Rio Grande, Texas; Mobile, Ala., and to all points on the Mississippi River.
No Havana freight received on day of sailing.
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Steamships of this Line will leave Pier No. 9 North River, at 3 o'clock P. M., as follows:
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Freight taken for St. Louis, Mobile and Galveston at through rates. For passage, first and second class, or freight apply to
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L. D. BARTON, Superintendent.

ERIE RAILWAY.—TRAINS LEAVE DEPOT foot of Chambers-st., Pavonia Ferry:
6 A. M. Day Express for Rochester, Buffalo, Dunkirk, Cleveland, Cincinnati, and all points West and South.
8:30 A. M. Way Train for Otisville and intermediate stations.
10 A. M. Express Mail for Buffalo, Dunkirk, Cleveland, Cincinnati and all points West and South.
4:30 P. M. Way Train for Middletown and intermediate stations.
4:30 P. M. Way Express, stopping only at Sterling Junction, Turner's, and stations West of Turner's, (except Otisville) for Port Jervis, Deposit, Hancock, Binghamton, Owego, Warwick, Montgomery, Unionville and Port Jervis.
6 P. M. Way Train for Suffern and intermediate stations.
7:30 P. M. Night Express, daily, for all points West and South. By this train sleeping coaches will run through to Buffalo, Rochester, Cleveland and Cincinnati, without change.
8 P. M. Emigrant Train, daily, for the West.
Also Way Trains for Ridgewood, Paterson, Paterson and Ho-ho-kus, at 7:45 and 9:15 A. M., 12 M., and 1:45, 4, 5:15 and 11 P. M. On Wednesday Nights a Theater Train at 12 o'clock for Suffern and intermediate stations.

SUNDAY TRAINS.—8:30 A. M. Way Train for Otisville; 1:45 P. M., for Paterson; 5:30 P. M. Night Express, for Rochester, Buffalo, Dunkirk, Cleveland, Cincinnati, and all points West and South. 8 P. M. Emigrant and Way Train; 11 P. M. for Paterson and Port Jervis.
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WM. R. BARR, Gen'l Pass. Agent. H. RIDDLE, Gen'l Sup't.

HUDSON RIVER AND HARLEM RAILROADS.—On and after MONDAY, Nov. 22, 1868, trains for Albany and Troy, connecting with Northern and Western trains, will leave New-York as follows:
6 A. M. Express Train via Hudson River Railroad, with sleeping cars attached, through to Buffalo and Suspension Bridge without change of cars. Also sleeping cars through to Albany and Troy with Western trains. Passengers can take breakfast at Albany.
10 A. M. Express Train via Hudson River Railroad, with Drawing-room car attached, connecting at Albany and Troy, with Western trains, and at Troy with trains for Montreal, Ogdensburg and the North.
11:30 A. M. Express Train via Hudson River Railroad, connecting at Albany with trains for the West. Drawing-room car attached to this train through to Troy.
3:30 P. M. Express Train via Hudson River Railroad, with drawing-room car attached, connecting at Albany with Western trains, and at Troy with trains for Montreal, Ogdensburg and the North.
4:30 P. M. Express Train via Hudson River Railroad, for Albany and Troy, connecting at Albany with Western trains, leaving Albany at 7 A. M.
9 P. M. Express Train via Hudson River Railroad, with sleeping cars attached, and through to Buffalo and Suspension Bridge without change of cars. Also sleeping cars every day, except Saturdays, without change, via Troy, Utica, N. Y. C. and N. Railroad. Connection for Troy will be made at East Albany. This train will run on Sundays.
11 P. M. Train via Hudson River Railroad, with sleeping car attached, connecting at Albany with Western trains for Buffalo and Suspension Bridge, and at Troy with trains for Saratoga and points North.
A Sunday train will be run via Hudson River Railroad, leaving New-York at 9 A. M., and arriving at Albany at 3 P. M. Returning, leaves Albany at 4:30 P. M., arriving at New-York at 11 P. M.
WM. H. VANDERBILT, Vice-President.

SOUTHSIDE RAILROAD OF LONG ISLAND.—Leave Brooklyn, Long Island City, 8:30 A. M.; mail train, 5:15 P. M.; express for Smithtown, &c., 4:15 P. M.; accommodation for Islip and 5:30 P. M. for Jamaica. Leave Islip, 6:30 A. M., accommodation; Smithtown, 7:30 A. M., express, and 10:30 mail. Leave Jamaica, 7:45, 9:35, 6:30 A. M. and 3:30 P. M.
R. WHITE, Superintendent.

NORTHERN RAILROAD OF NEW-JERSEY.—Trains will leave New-York by the Chambers-st. ferry, foot of Chambers-st., as follows: At 8 A. M., 1, and 4:45 P. M., for Piermont. And Saturdays, only, at midnight. For Nyack, 11 and 6:15 P. M. For Spring Valley, Nov. 2, 1868. THOS. W. DEMAREST, Sup't.

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FOR BOSTON, VIA NEWPORT AND FALL RIVER.
BY THE OLD FALL RIVER LINE.
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Rates of passage and freight always as low as by any other regular line.
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Leaves Pier No. 9 North River, foot of Murray-st., at 4 P. M. daily, Sundays excepted.
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New-York, Aug. 19, 1868. No. 12 Broadway, N. Y.

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Leave Pier No. 2, foot of Jay-st., North River, at 4 P. M.
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Tickets sold at all stations and secured at the principal hotels, at No. 2 Astor House, and at Dodd's Express office, No. 944 Broadway. D. S. BABCOCK, President Stonington Steamboat Company.

FOR NEW-HAVEN, HARTFORD, &C.—Fare $1. Steamers leave Peck-slip for New-Haven at 5:30 and 11 P. M., connecting with railroad.

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FOR SAVANNAH, SEMI-WEEKLY.
BLACK STAR INDEPENDENT LINE.
OPPOSITION TO MONOPOLY.
The first-class steamship HUNTSVILLE will leave Pier No. 13 North River, on SATURDAY, Feb. 20, at 4 P. M.
For freight or passage apply to
H. LOWDEN, Agent, No. 36 West-st.
OCTAVUS COHEN & CO., Agents, Savannah.
Cabin passage $20.

FOR CHARLESTON, THE FLORIDA PORTS, THE SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST.
—REGULAR LINE.—The fast and popular steamship SARAGOSSA, BIRDS, Commander, will sail THURSDAY, Feb. 25, at 3 P. M., from Pier No. 5 North River.
Cabin passage reduced to $15.
Bills of lading to all points South and Southwest. Agents in Charleston (HAVENEL & CO.) forward all goods free of commission.
ARTHUR LEARY, Agent,
No. 72 William-st.
The side-wheel steamship MAGNOLIA will sail March 4.

HORSES AND CARRIAGES.

FOR SALE.—A PAIR OF DARK GRAY horses, 16 hands high, suitable for express, carriage or some any business; warranted sound, kind and true; sold separately or together cheap, for want of use. JACOB PRESTLER, corner Bleecker and Leonard sts., Williamsburg.

FOR SALE.—SIX UPPER CANADA PONIES, 3 heavy built, sound and kind, from 4 to 8 years, 15 hands, 25 to 30 cents, bakes, butcher or grocery; will be sold reasonably. Apply at 354 Pitt-st., corner of 11th-st.

FOR SALE.—20 SUPERIOR TRUCK AND driving horses, just from Cincinnati; among them are three big trunk teams; also several small teams, from 4 to 8 years old. Price from $100 to $400; warranted sound and kind. No. 8 Montgomery-st.

FOR SALE CHEAP.—TWO HORSES; ONE 7 years bay, 8 years; the brown, blind of one eye, 15 to 16½ hands high, fit for cart, truck or express. No. 220 Delaware-st., three days.

FOR SALE.—A GOOD HORSE, SOUND AND kind; also, cart and harness; sold together or separately; will be sold cheap. At No. 418 East 109th-st.

FOR SALE.—A BROWN HORSE, 17 HANDS high, sound and kind; fit for cart or truck. Inquire at No. 78 Chatham-st.

CITY REAL ESTATE.

REAL ESTATE IN SEVENTH WARD
FOR SALE.
The valuable plot of ground bounded by the west side of Cedar-st. and Cherry and Monroe sts., consisting of 22 lots, with large and substantial buildings thereon, suitable for manufacturing or storage purposes.
Apply to C. A. RAFALLO, No. 216 Broadway, or T. F. HIGGS, office No. 106 Cherry-st.

FOR SALE OR TO LET.—WILL BE sold, the large property owned and occupied by the American Express Company, comprising the whole block between Hudson, Duane, Jay and Staple sts., with their large fire-proof marble building, 100x100, and a one-story brick building, about 50x100. The second, third and fourth lofts of the marble building, 100x100, are also offered on lease. Apply to HOMER MORGAN, No. 3 Pine-st.

WEST 38TH-ST.—FOR SALE, THE three-story brick house, No. 144 West 38th-st., near 6th-av. This is a good neighborhood, and is constantly becoming more valuable on account of its close proximity to the best business portion of the city. Apply to MURRAY, PROVOST & CO., No. 2 Wall-st.

$19,500—ON 45TH-ST., NEAR Madison-av., one of the most complete houses of its size, 27x60x100 feet, ever offered in the market; contains all modern improvements, with furnace, high stoop, new brown-stone house, beautiful neighborhood, $6,000; first mortgage and immediate possession. Address OWNER, Box No. 124 Times Office.

"WE HOLD THESE TRUTHS TO-ery in Brooklyn is on Fulton-av.; 2d. The most valuable lots on this great thoroughfare are those between Clinton and Vanderbilt ave., to be sold by us at the "Exchange" in New-York, on MONDAY, Feb. 24. JOHNSON & MILLER, 16 Nassau-st., New-York.

FOR SALE OR TO LEASE.—FOR BUSIness purposes, the house and lot, No. 104 8th-av., a few doors from 22d-st.; the lot is 20x120 feet in size, and the building suitable for alterations into a first-class hotel or boarding-house. For further particulars apply to HOMER MORGAN, No. 3 Pine-st.

FOR SALE OR TO LET.—THE EXTRA wide three-story and attic brick house, No. 20 Clinton-place, near University-place; about twenty-eight feet wide; "Gallery Hung Harrison" lease, about eight years to run; rent, $1,600; will be sold cheap if sold soon. Apply to HOMER MORGAN, No. 3 Pine-st.

A FOUR-STORY HIGH-STOOP brown-stone house and lot, on 54th-st., between Lexington and 4th ave.; in fine order; price $22,000; furniture or carpets may be bought if desired.
G. A. KISSAM, No. 30 Pine-st.

FOR SALE.—ON 9TH-AV., NEAR 38TH-ST., an establishment in perfect order, with the best patronage; a stable-U wanted; early possession can be had. Permits to be had from HOMER MORGAN, No. 3 Pine-st.

A FOUR-STORY HIGH-STOOP brown-stone house and lot, on 54th-st., between Lexington and 4th ave., is offered in exchange for stores, for sale or to rent. HOLLY BROTHERS or G. A. KISSAM, No. 30 Pine-st.

NO BUSINESS CORNERS IN NEW-YORK are more desirable than those on Fulton, Clinton and Vanderbilt ave., Brooklyn, to be sold at auction by JOHNSON & MILLER, on WEDNESDAY, Feb. 24, at "Exchange."

FOR SALE.—A TWO-STORY AND ATTIC brick house, 18x40, with lot 25x100 feet, in Bedford, near Clinton-st., Brooklyn, E. D., with all improvements. Inquire of ROBERT C. BROWN, No. 66 West Broadway, or A. J. BLEECKER, SON & CO., No. 57 Cedar-st.

FOR SALE.—THREE-STORY HIGH-STOOP brown-stone house, 19x50 feet, east of 6th-av.; new, uncompleted. Also, three-story and mansard Philadelphia brick house, 22x50, east of 7th-av.; half cash.
THOS. MOLEAN, No. 8 Beekman-st.

FOR SALE.—FOUR LOTS OF GROUND, each 25x100, south side of Bleecker-st., 240 feet west of 10th-av. Apply at No. 5 Beekman-st., Room No. 5, first floor.

FOR SALE.—A NEAT THREE-STORY HIGH-stoop brown-stone house and lot, No. 120 East 41st-st., near Madison-av.; in perfect order; price moderate. Apply to W. M. SMITH, No. 16 John-st.

FOR SALE.—THE THREE-STORY BROWN-stone house No. 36 West 31st-st., near Broadway. Apply to HOMER MORGAN, No. 3 Pine-st., or on premises.

FOR SALE.—THREE-STORY BROWN-STONE house and lot No. 32 East 30th-st., near Madison-av.; convenient and excellent location. Apply to WM. & JOHN O'BRIEN, No. 8 Wall-st.

GROCERS AND RETAIL DEALERS in meats are invited to examine the valuable lots on Fulton-av., to be sold by JOHNSON & MILLER, on WEDNESDAY, Feb. 24.

FOR SALE.—A LARGE PARCEL OF PROPerty, running over 100 feet on Broadway and below Central Park; one of the most available on the island. Inquire of HOMER MORGAN, No. 3 Pine-st.

FOR SALE.—ONE STEAM, MURRAY HILL fire extra well arranged for a hotel, or without furniture, and stable. Apply to HOMER MORGAN, No. 3 Pine-st.

FOR SALE.—CHEAP, HARLEM LOTS ON the principal avenues and streets; good investments. G. LESPINASSE, No. 8 John-st.

FOR SALE.—LOTS AT FORT WASHINGTON, Washington Heights, and along the Boulevards, Kingsbridge road. G. LESPINASSE, No. 8 John-st.

BROOKLYN REAL ESTATE.

PROSPECT PARK,
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A block of 12 lots, fronting Prospect Park and on 8th-av., probably the most desirable ground fronting any part of the park, (near the Litchfield mansion.) The location is not surpassed, probably not equaled, on any portion of the Brooklyn or New-York side of the Park. Price asked, $10,000 per lot; to be sold as an entirety.
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The entire front on 6th-av. and 21st-st.; lots on 4th and 5th sts., Brooklyn, between 4th and 5th ave. To be sold in one plot at $3,000 each. This property, both on the Park and on 4th and 5th sts. and 6th-av., is in the very best of order, and is recommended to investors for a speedy rise. Apply to
HOMER MORGAN, No. 3 Pine-st.

FOR SALE.—THE TWO-STORY AND BASEment brick house, No. 243 Adelphi-st., near Fulton-av.; modern improvements; $4,500. No. 18 Vandervoort-st., near Bedford-av., two-story and attic, three-story brick; all improvements. Classon-av., between Putnam and Gates, opposite Dr. Duryea's church, a new two-story and attic, three-story and basement; all improvements. The two-story French roof cottage adjoining, 19 rooms, modern improvements; $6,000. The above cottages are eligibly located and convenient to cars, and will be closed up on easy terms.

JEWELERS AND DRUGGISTS, WHO attach great importance to elegant show windows, should not fail to secure the splendid lot, the best for the business in Brooklyn, with a frontage of 25 feet on the Broadway of Brooklyn, Fulton-st. ave., to be sold at auction by JOHNSON & MILLER ON WEDNESDAY, Feb. 24. This lot will in a few years command Broadway prices. Visit the premises, No. 32 Nassau-st., and write for plan.

FOR SALE.—IN BROOKLYN—$15,000.—AN ELEgant and substantial three-story frame dwelling, brick with extension, 19x43, and plot of ground containing 40 feet front, beautifully laid out; lawn and gardens; all improvements; in perfect order; a most desirable home. Apply on the premises, 24 Kalb-av., second house near Classon of Tompkins-av., or to H. H. HOOPER, 48 Halsey, Brooklyn; piano-forte warerooms, No. 25 East 14th-st., New-York.

$3,500 ONLY IN CASH AND $2,000 high basement brick house in good repair, with 10 rooms, including basement and kitchen, hot water and gas; location South Tenth, Brooklyn, E. D., within a few blocks of Eastern Dispensary. Inquire of the Hall and Life Insurance Company, No. 243 Broadway, corner of Pulton-st.

FOR SALE.—THE FIRST-CLASS THREE-story, basement and sub-cellar Philadelphia brick front dwelling, on south side of Bedford-av., between Smith and Hoyt sts.; house 24x60 feet, with all the modern improvements; lot 20x100 feet; price low and terms to suit. Apply to E. A. SPAFARD, No. 189 Remsen-st., Brooklyn.

UNEXCEPTIONABLE BUSINESS PROPERTY.—No. 25 splendid lots, situated on Fulton-st., Brooklyn, to be sold at auction, by JOHNSON & MILLER, at 12 o'clock on WEDNESDAY, Feb. 24, at the Exchange, No. 111 Broadway.

FOR SALE OR TO LET.—ATLANTIC ave., Bedford, 2d door east of Hamilton. Poor N. Y. Apply to WM. N. CLARK, No. 176 William-st.

THE GREAT SALE OF FULTON-AV. property, (Brooklyn,) by JOHNSON & MILLER, on WEDNESDAY, Feb. 24, concerns business men.

LEGAL NOTICES.

SUPREME COURT.—IN THE MATTER of the application of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New-York, relative to the opening of One Hundred and Twenty-third-street from Mount Morris-square to Mount Morris-square in the City of New-York. Pursuant to statutes in such cases made and provided, the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New-York, hereby give notice that they intend to apply to the Supreme Court of the State of New-York, at a Special Term of said Court, to be held at the City Hall, in the City of New-York, on the 1st day of February, 1869, and to recommend to the Court on that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard, for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the matter of the opening of One Hundred and Twenty-third-street from Mount Morris-square to Mount Morris-square, in said City, as laid out on the map or plan of said City, formerly laid out by virtue of an act of the Legislature of the people of the State of New-York, entitled "An Act relative to improvements in the City of New-York, and for other purposes," passed April 3, 1807.
RICHARD O'GORMAN,
Counsel to the Corporation.
Dated New-York, Feb. 3, 1869.

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EVERY WEEK, NEW FEATURES.
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Admission, 50 cents; reserved orchestra circle, 50 cents extra; orchestra chairs, 25 cents.
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SUNDAY EVENING, FEB. 21, 1869.
GRAND COMBINATION OF THE MENDELSSOHN ORCHESTRAL UNION, SIXTY PERFORMERS.
THE LEVY CONCERT TROUPE,
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The greatest living cornet a piston performer,
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The Prime Tenor.
Mr. HARRY SANDERSON,
The wonderful Pianist.
Mr. G. W. COLBY, Accompanist.
Mr. R. B. DODWORTH, Conductors.
Mr. E. MOLLENHAUER,
Tickets 50 cents; reserved seats, 25 cents extra.

COUNTRY REAL ESTATE.

FOR SALE.—THE ELEGANT FOUR-STORY and basement brown-stone house, No. 128 Union-st., between Henry and Clinton sts., Brooklyn, with 5½ lots, ornamental ground, brick stable, 40x20 feet, well fitted up, containing three box and two single stalls; the finest grocery of superior trade in the city; long-house and conservatory. Henry Street is one of the entrances to Prospect Park, paved with Nicolson pavement; house is in perfect order, 20x70 on first floor, drawing-room 18x27 feet, dining-room 20x21, second floor, 3 bedrooms and bathroom; third floor, 4 bedrooms and large lumber room; basement, kitchen, storeroom, laundry and billiard room, with large dry cellar under neath the whole; gas and water throughout; house and outbuildings in perfect order; entire frontage 127½ feet, inclosed with high iron railings with swe-grass and flowers. Owner is about to leave Brooklyn, and will sell whole or part of furniture. For permits to view premises apply to E. F. VAN ZANDT, No. 146 Bleecker-st., Brooklyn, E. D., from 9 A. M. or 2 to 5 P. M., or to GEORGE HUGHES & DUMOND, 156 and 158 Church-st., New-York. Price $80,000.

NEW-PROVIDENCE STATION.—MORris and Essex Railroad of New-Jersey.—For sale—A handsome double house, containing water, gas and all other modern improvements; six and one-half acres of land, adjoining the station; 15 trains daily; 20 minutes' walk from depot. Also building sites and lots in vicinity of and immediately adjoining station. Fine opportun

ALBANY.

The New Constitution—A Candidate for St. James—Cattle Disease—Newspaper Circulation—The Gas Company Investigation—Amendments to the Excise Law.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ALBANY, Friday, Feb. 19, 1869.

THE NEW CONSTITUTION—THE VOTE TO BE TAKEN AT A GENERAL ELECTION.

It is now settled that the new Constitution will not be submitted to the people until the general election in November next. Senator FOLGER's bill, to submit it on the fourth Tuesday in April next, was opposed by all the Democratic Senators, and as there was a doubt whether it could be passed in season, if at all, if passed, whether it would receive the Governor's signature, Mr. FOLGER finally yielded to Senator MURPHY's motion to extend the time to fall November.

CANDIDATE FOR ST. JAMES.

The mystery of Horace GREELEY's presence about the Halls of Legislation for the last two or three days, received a solution in the Senate to-day, by the presentation of a resolution from Mr. MATTOON, urgently requesting Gen. GRANT to appoint the Tribune editor Minister to England. Some might think from the wording of the resolution that it was intended for sarcasm, but those who know Mr. MATTOON say he is incapable of that species of warfare. The resolution was laid on the table and ordered printed.

DISEASED CATTLE.

Senator PALMER's bill for the prevention of cattle disease was reported favorably to-day. It proposes such amendments to the bill passed last year as will make it more effective. It enlarges the powers of the Cattle Commissioners for the prevention of disease, and applies the law to sheep and horses as well as cattle. It compels railroad companies to keep on hand at stations, where they unload cattle, carbolic acid to disinfect the cars. Farmers having cases of rinderpest, or other disease among their cattle, and failing to notify the Commissioners, are made liable for damage done to their neighbors' cattle.

ADVERTISING THE CIRCULATION OF NEWSPAPERS.

The Assembly Judiciary Committee to-day reported favorably the bill requiring newspapers to advertise in each issue the circulation of the previous issue. Judge MILLER gave notice that he dissented from the majority report, and would hereafter give his reasons in a minority report. I understand that the bill assumed a partisan shape in the Committee, and was finally carried by a strict party vote—Messrs. DAVIS, ARMS, HIXON, KILHAM and N. B. SMITH voting in the affirmative, and Judge MILLER and Mr. CULLEN in the negative. The penalty for not complying with the provisions of the bill is a forfeiture of the money collected for advertisements in the issue which is not reported. The original bill made it a misdemeanor not to report the circulation, but this was stricken out. A motion by Judge MILLER that the report state the actual bona fide circulation, and not special sales, was voted down. HORACE GREELEY appeared before the Committee and urged its passage. There is very little probability that it will ever become a law.

NEW BILLS.

Among the new bills introduced to the Assembly to-day was one from Mr. KILKENAN, placing all the New-York harbor under the supervision of the Metropolitan Police Commissioners and the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, with power to appoint an inspector of ferries and make all necessary rules and regulations for the safety and comfort of passengers. The bill is similar to one that passed the Assembly last year and was defeated in the Senate.

Another underground railroad bill was introduced by Mr. C. FERRIS, authorizing the Manhattan Company to construct a railroad under Broadway and other streets.

THE GAS COMPANY INVESTIGATION.

The Speaker has not yet appointed the Special Committee called for by Mr. MITCHELL's resolution adopted nearly a week ago, to investigate the affairs of the New-York and Brooklyn Gas Companies. This is a matter that interests more people than the doings of any investigating committee that has been appointed this Winter, and it is to be hoped that when the Speaker does appoint the committee, it will be a good one. He is certainly taking time enough to make the selection.

MODIFICATION OF THE EXCISE LAW TO BE RECOMMENDED.

The Committee on Internal Affairs have agreed to report next week certain amendments to the Excise law, the chief of which are an extension of the time for keeping liquor saloons open on week days to 1 o'clock A. M., and a graduated scale of fees for licenses, ranging from $50 to $100 for simple liquor saloons, and higher rates for hotels, according to their size.

Both Houses adjourned till Tuesday, on account of the anniversary of WASHINGTON's Birthday. S.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

SENATE.—ALBANY, Friday, Feb. 19.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. THAYER—Authorizing the town of Greenwich, Washington County, to take stock in the Union Village and Johnsonville Railroad Company.

By Mr. MATTOON—To incorporate the Niagara Ship Canal Company, with a capital of $2,000,000, with power to construct a canal from Lake Ontario around the Falls, which shall not be less than 150 feet wide on the surface and 20 feet on the bottom, with 12 feet depth of water. Corporators named: Ariel A. Law, Jonathan Scrugess, Peter Cooper, Moses Taylor, Addison C. Jerome, Hiram Walbridge, Horace H. Day, Freeman Clark, William A. Wheeler, T. W. Olcott, Dewitt C. Littlejohn, of the State; William F. Coolbaugh, William D. Ogden, of Illinois; Edward H. Broadhead, of Wisconsin; James Aspinwall, of Michigan; E. P. Spalding, of Ohio; Charles A. Lombard, J. Converse, of Massachusetts, and others.

By Mr. NORTON—To amend the laws so as to allow religious and civic societies to parade through the streets of New-York.

By Mr. NORTON—For the more effectual prevention of cruelty to animals.

By Mr. BRADLEY—To appropriate $30,000 to pay a balance due on the New-York College of Veterinary Surgeons, and providing that each Senatorial district in the State shall be entitled to one free scholarship.

By Mr. SWINBURN—Authorizing a general tax for the improvement of the canals of the State.

By Mr. CRAMER—Compelling the New-York Gas Companies to furnish a better quality of gas, and regulating a division among the consumers of all the profits over two per cent. dividend.

The following bills were reported on favorably from committees: The One Hundred and Twenty-fifth-street Railroad bill.

To prevent the spread of disease among cattle. The New-York and Long Island Bridge Company.

Messrs. CRAMER, GERDE, HALE, THAYER and KENNEDY were appointed a Committee to investigate school affairs in New-York City.

BILLS PASSED.

Authorizing the South Middletown Cemetery Association to remove certain bodies.

Relating to the opening of roads through the Vineyard.

Adjourned till Tuesday evening.

ASSEMBLY.

BILLS REPORTED.

By Mr. SHERRER—For supplying the deficiency in the appropriations for the maintenance of State Prisons. Subsequently ordered to a third reading.

By Mr. HITCHMAN—Providing additional compensation to deputy clerks in the departments of the State Government.

By Mr. LA BAU—For the consideration of the House bill repealing the law providing for the erection of quarantine buildings on Coney Island.

Also, authorizing the construction of piers on North River.

Also, amending the charter of the New-York and Brooklyn Bridge Company.

On motion of Mr. LA BAU, the said bill was committed first to the Committee of the Whole.

By Mr. BUTTERFIELD—To repeal the law in reference to the inspection of steam boilers, except in the Metropolitan District.

By Mr. DAVIS—Relating to the publication of advertisements in newspapers and magazines and other periodicals. The bill requires every newspaper to publish a sworn statement every morning of its circulation the day previous.

The Senate bill amending the charter of the New-York and Brooklyn Bridge Company was passed.

The concurrent resolution adjourning till Tuesday, Feb. 23, was passed.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. IRVING—Permitting the Tenth-street Stage Line to run from Avenue A up to Second-avenue and Fourteenth-street, thence to Broadway and Eighth-street.

By Mr. PLUMBERT—Authorizing the widening of West-street 12 feet from the easterly street line from Twelfth-street to the Battery. Also, incorporating the United Dorrickman's Benevolent Association.

By Mr. MACHTHAN—Providing that no leaf tobacco shall be sold in bales, casks or hogsheads, unless the gross weight be marked on the same, and also the true weight of the tobacco.

By Mr. CAMPBELL—For the increase of the Metropolitan Police force to two thousand five hundred men in New-York, and five hundred men in Brooklyn.

By Mr. MURPHY—Incorporating the Pacific Savings Bank, naming JACOB H. VANDERBILT, SPENCER LUTHER, SAMUEL M. PETTINGILL, and others as corporators.

By Mr. WHALEN—Incorporating the Black Joke Association for social purposes in New-York. The corporators named are WILLIAM WHISTON, JOHN QUINN, WILLIAM DONNELLY, and others.

By Mr. BRENNAN—To abolish the College of the City of New-York, and provide for the re-establishment of the Free Academy.

By Mr. WALKER—Providing that any tenancy from year to year may be terminated by notice than one month's notice, in writing, ending with the year.

By Mr. JACOBS—To amend the charter of Brooklyn.

Also, providing that any married woman may convey real estate, or joint with her husband, where she has only a dower right, notwithstanding her being under 21 years of age.

Also, relative to certain Kings County officials.

By Mr. LA BAU—To incorporate the Staten Island Bridge Company, with a capital of $500,000, naming STEPHEN C. WALKER, LEWIS H. PETTIT, E. D. MILLS, HIRAM W. MEAD and JOHN E. CONOVER as corporators.

Mr. HOGEBOOM introduced an act to amend an act entitled "An act to ascertain by proper proofs the citizens who shall be entitled to the rights of suffrage."

Adjourned till Tuesday evening.

LABOR MOVEMENTS.

Printers' Strike.

The journeymen book and job printers yet on strike, passed resolutions yesterday at a meeting in Botanic Hall, censuring the Board of Aldermen for awarding certain Corporation printing to WENDEROOF & HALLENBECK, who had not conformed to the scale demanded by the Typographical Union. It is a pity that this strike is not yet settled. The weekly wages have been hitherto $18. The journeymen demand but $20 for the support of themselves and families, which is fifty per cent. less than that received by some trades, and twenty-five per cent. less than nearly all others. No notice was taken at the meeting of the employers' new scale published yesterday as having been decided on at their meeting of Thursday. It had not been submitted by them to the Union, and could not therefore come up for discussion. It was privately said, however, that it would not be accepted, particularly as it implies that the journeymen on piece work should receive pay only for solid measurement, upon matter in which leads are subsequently inserted by an employe on wages. No "fat" matter, or type well leaded, is accorded, either, to a hand working by the piece, but is to be set up by a weekly compositor.

Clothing Cutters' Strike.

The Clothing Cutters' Union, during their meeting at No. 10 Stanton-street last night, received reports that GROES & ISAACS, No. 95 Warren-street, and BERNSTEIN & SCHOLLE, No. 76 Reade-street, had agreed yesterday to the new terms prescribed of $24 a week. The latter, being a Hebrew firm, require their cutters to work but half a day on Saturday, and compensate for the loss of Saturday afternoon by working four hours on Sunday morning. WILLIAM MEYER & Co., another of the outstanding firms, were reported as desiring yesterday to compromise upon $23, instead of the $20 which they paid before the strike. This offer, of course, refused. The fourteen cutters they employed have lived upon their savings since striking, and have drawn nothing from the funds of the Union. SOMMERCK & CO. and WM. C. BROWNING & Co. are now the only two other houses yet refusing to meet the views of the cutters. The former of the two show signs, it is said, of acquiescing, and the latter may speedily follow. When this occurs, the cutters of twelve more establishments will be ordered on strike. It may take another fortnight before the difficulty between all the cutters and employers of the City becomes settled.

Journeyman Plasterers.

A meeting of the Society of Plasterers took place last evening at Demilt Hall, to take action upon the case of POWERS BROS., employing plasterer, who were giving work to non-society men upon a job in Westchester County. It was stated that according to the rules of the Union, society men should at once relinquish work wherever non-society men were employed. It was asserted that this action on the part of POWERS BROS. was in pursuance of a plan concocted by the employing plasterers and masons to create dissension among the journeymen, in order to prevent the unanimity of any eight-hour strike that may take place in the Spring.

Accidental Death in a House of Ill-fame—Singular Developments as to the Use of Chloroform.

A death occurred suddenly last evening in the establishment No. 128 Eighth-street, kept by Mrs. JOSEPHINE WOODS, and the event caused some most singular revelations as to the use of chloroform by fallen women.

Among the inmates of the house of Mrs. WOODS was one MAGGIE DESSOY, a tall, shapely girl, 20 years of age, with a large, somewhat irregular face. She had been in the house for three months past, but the other residents had learned nothing of her previous history, except that she had once lived in a house of similar character in Crosby-street, and that she has relatives living in St. James-street, New-Brunswick, N. J. But this paucity of knowledge of each other is no unusual circumstance in such a nomadic life as that of these lost girls, and MAGGIE settled down naturally and mechanically into the ways of her new home. She found there, as she doubtless had in other places, that the gally-decked votaries of sin had constructed a baleful draught with peril, but certain to bring a short-lived pleasure in recess forgetfulness. No less than five of these girls took chloroform habitually, and for no other purpose than the "sensation." They had no pain for the insidious drug to allay, they had not ill health to call remedy, and they inhaled it to the extent of half a pint daily—or, as they term it, "thirty cents worth"—merely to secure a coveted unconsciousness. And they employed the cunning of their sex to obtain their supplies of the poisonous drug. Some time ago a physician had prescribed chloroform for one of the inmates, and the prescription had been put up at the drug store of HEGEMAN & CO., corner of Broadway and Eighth-street. It was necessary for this girl to continue the use of the drug for some time as a medicine, and after that necessity she continued to inhale it as a stimulant. The same bottle was always returned to the drug store and refilled on the old prescription, and by this girl loosing her bottle to the other girls, they obtained an almost unlimited supply of the drug. Yesterday DESSOY procured "thirty cents' worth" during the afternoon, and as she had done on the previous and many other days inhaled it in her room, on the top floor of the house. About 5 o'clock one of her companions went into the room and found her lying on the floor, and carried her to the bed. This girl, LEONORA KATRINA, was accustomed to the presence of the well-known drug, but as it was nothing unusual paid no especial attention to the matter, and asked MAGGIE if she was going down to dinner. The prostrate girl made a guttural reply, and LEONORA left her and went down stairs to dinner. In about an hour she returned with a companion, and finding her lying in the same position shook her to awaken her. Then it was found that she was dead. The Police were immediately notified, and Sergeant HOGEBOOM, of the Fifteenth Precinct, taking in charge of an officer until the arrival of the Coroner, who will hold an inquest to-day. The case was reported by the Police as a suicide, but there is no evidence that the girl had intended to destroy her life. None of her companions had ever noticed in her anything which would create the belief that she had formed any purpose of the kind. She was of a cheerful, yielding disposition, and had no "lover" complications or other of the common sorrows of her kind, and there was nothing in her habits that would make it likely that she would commit suicide. The drug had evidently taken astronger hold than usual upon her system, and she had died from its effects without intending or designing such a result.

Brave Act of a Lady.

On Thursday night last as the daughter of Mrs. FOWLER, residing in Spring-street, Morrisania, was retiring to her bedroom she came upon a strange man in the hallway. Immediately pushing to her mother's room she informed her of the fact, when that lady took a lighted lamp in her hand, and proceeded to the hallway, where she met the intruder. She instantly thrust the lamp at his face, but he evaded her aim, and leveling a blow at her, which she happily escaped, bounded down the stairs and got out through the front door, leaving behind him in his hasty exit an overcoat which he had over his arm when the encounter took place.

Lectures to Young Men.

The last of the series of lectures to young men was delivered by Dr. FRASLER last evening at the hall of the Young Men's Christian Association, No. 161 Fifth-avenue. His time for an hour was consumed chiefly in answering questions propounded to him in writing by those who had attended his former lectures. Most of these questions were of a more peculiarly concerning young men and young men only. Others were of a more general character, among which it was asked whether marriage was conducive to longevity; in reply to which the lecturer instanced the case of an eminent English physician who died, he said, at the age of one hundred and fifty-eight or thirty-nine, and had married his fifth wife, the last of whom bore him a child only twenty years before his death. He was confident that out of one thousand men or women, chosen on each side indiscriminately, the average length of life would be found to be in favor of the married. In reply to other questions, he recommended young men selecting wives to be sure first that he loved her and she him. That if, in complexion, size, temperament, &c., they be opposite, so much the better. If they select because of beauty or wealth alone, their joy will be short-lived; better far that they select a plain woman than a handsome, as she is much less likely to be spoiled by outside flattery either in the past or future. At the conclusion of the lecture the Association passed a vote of thanks to Dr. FRASLER, and handed him a letter conveying in appreciative terms their obligations for the entertainment and instruction his lectures had afforded all who heard them.

LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF.

New-York.

JAMES SMITH was arrested yesterday and arraigned before Justice DOWLING at the instance of DUNCAN BUCHANAN, an employe of GEORGE MUNRO, at No. 118 William-street, to answer a charge of false pretences. SMITH called at Mr. MUNRO's store and informed BUCHANAN that he had been sent by the Superintendent of the American News Company for one hundred and fifty copies of MUNRO's publications, and as BUCHANAN often received such verbal orders for books, delivered the books called for, only to discover at a subsequent date that no such order had been given. The Magistrate held SMITH for trial.

JOHN SPENCER was arrested yesterday by Capt. GREER, of the Twenty-sixth Precinct, on a charge of false pretences. When arraigned before Justice DOWLING, WM. V. LEGGETT, of No. 1,409 Broadway, testified that on the 19th of October he accosted called upon him and presented a check purporting to have been drawn by E. S. HIGGINS on the Chemical Bank for the sum of $40, and made payable to the order of SPENCER, who represented HIGGINS to be the well-known carpet manufacturer. Mr. LEGGETT advanced the money on the check, and subsequently ascertained that it was entirely worthless. The prisoner was held to answer.

Mr. A. L. PERRY, Professor of Political Economy in Williams College, will lecture at Cooper Institute this evening. His subject will be, "Why do we make Exchanges?"

The annual meeting of the Children's Aid Society will be held at the Metropolitan National Bank on Tuesday, the 23d inst., at 3 o'clock P. M.

Rev. T. H. HAWKS, late of Cleveland, Ohio, will preach to-morrow evening for the Young Men's Christian Association, at the church on Fifth-avenue, in course of the regular order. The monthly meeting of the Society will be held on Monday evening at No. 161 Fifth-avenue.

The M. S. G. Club gave its annual ball last night at Lyric Hall. As the hall is everything that can be desired in the way of size and acoustics, as the music was good, the company numerous, the beauty great, the dancing spirited and the supper fine, the enjoyment of all present may be considered to have been complete.

ANDREW BORCHOUX, a porterin the premises No. 146 Duane-street, fell through the hatchway of the building, yesterday morning, a distance of three stories, and sustained such injuries on the head and body that death occurred soon after his arrival at the New-York Hospital. Deceased was 58 years of age, and a native of France.

Detective IRVING, of the Central Office, arrested DAVID G. PEELE, aged 16, on a charge of forgery, on a complaint made by M. MAHLER, of 87 Prince-street, who states that the boy forged his name to several checks that he had found in the Ninth National Bank, and obtained the money. Young PEELE confessed his guilt, and on being arraigned before Justice DOWLING, was held for trial.

Inspector DILKS was yesterday notified by telegraph from New-Brunswick, N. J., that a boy aged 17, calling himself CHARLES LEWIS, a native of Brooklyn, stopping a green cheese cart and having light hair and eyes, had escaped from that place with a gold watch and a pocketbook containing $40, the property of STRICKER W. COMB, editor of the New-York Courier.

Detective MURPHY, of the Fifteenth Precinct, on Thursday evening arrested EDWARD MUNDAY, a notorious character, whom he found in the street with a bundle of clothing. Subsequently the officer discovered that the premises of WILLIAM SOLBRACHER, No. 138 Bleecker-street, had been entered with false keys, and property worth $192 carried away. As the articles found in MUNDAY's possession were a portion of the stolen property, he was yesterday committed by Justice DODGE on a charge of burglary.

Ex-Sheriff KELLY is rapidly recovering from a dangerous sickness, and will shortly take a trip to Europe.

JULIA HANBURY, of No. 412 East Eighteenth-street, yesterday caused the arrest of ELIZA MORRIS, an inmate of the house, on a charge of stealing from her clothing valued at $100. The prisoner was committed for trial by Justice DODGE.

Brooklyn.

ANN CLARK and ROSE CASSIDY were arrested by Officer FOLK, of the Central Office, yesterday, on the charge of shoplifting, one of them having stolen a piece of merino in the store of the Messrs. NEWMAN, in Fulton-street, near Johnson, while the other was purchasing some table-linen. They were looked up to await examination.

An unknown man was found drowned in the East River, at the foot of Joralemon-street, yesterday.

At a late hour on Thursday night, burglars forced an entrance into the store of GARRET WEEL, No. 326 Graham-avenue, Eastern District, and carried off goods to the value of $135.

United States Marshal DALLON, of the Eastern District, yesterday received a dispatch from Florida announcing the arrest there of WM. M. WEBSTER, said to be one of the parties implicated in the alleged drawback frauds.

New-Jersey.

Yesterday morning, between 12 and 1 o'clock, a fire occurred in a one-story frame drinking-saloon, kept by DANIEL BAHR, at No. 144 Greene-street, Jersey City, which extended to the three-story unoccupied frame building, No. 142. Before the flames were got under, the small building was nearly destroyed, and the lower part of the other was badly damaged. The buildings are owned by JOHN D. MORRIS, of Elizabeth, whose loss will probably reach $1,500. The small building, No. 144, occupied as an express office by Mr. BAHR, and owned by a party in New-York, was damaged about $200. The origin of the fire is unknown.

Mr. CHARLES VAN HAUBE, who was taken into custody at the Jersey City Police Station, on Monday last, for insanity, is proved to have been the victim of a robbery and outrage upon the train coming from Chicago. He was on his way to Gotham to get possession of a large fortune which had recently been bequeathed to him. When he left his home in St. Louis he had $150 in gold, besides a considerable amount of currency, a gold watch and a diamond pin. When he arrived in Jersey City these were gone. Mrs. VAN HAUBE was notified by telegraph, and she arrived yesterday. Her husband, who had been a wild, ungovernable maniac, recognized her at once, and upon her conversing with him above matters at home, he talked in a sober and rational manner. He states that shortly after leaving Chicago he fell in with a man who treated him cordially and invited him to drink from his pocket flask. After imbibing somewhat freely Mr. VAN HAUBE became unconscious and remembered nothing further. He returned yesterday to St. Louis in company with his wife.

The house of Mr. SECCHI DE CASALI, editor of *L'Eco d'Italia*, situated half a mile from Elizabeth, N. J., was entered Thursday evening by two burglars and robbed of jewelry and other valuable articles belonging to Mrs. SECCHI and a lady from Brooklyn, who is stopping at the house. The burglars entered the house late in the evening through a window over the piazza on the second floor, and, after taking all there was of value, set fire to the house before leaving the premises. The loss is estimated at $1,000. The Police could find no clue to the burglars, and it is surmised that they left for New-York by railroad.

Mr. JOHN CASHIN was accidentally shot in the knee on Thursday night in Market-street, Newark, by a pistol in the hands of a boy on the opposite side of the street. His injuries are not dangerous.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

LONDON, Friday, Feb. 19—11 A. M.

Consols open at 93c. for both money and account. United States Five-twenties, 70¼. Stocks quiet. Erie, 24¾; Illinois, 93¼.

LIVERPOOL, Friday, Feb. 19—11 A. M.

COTTON—The market opens flat at the following quotations: Middling Uplands, 11¼d.; Middling Orleans, 11¾d. The sales of the day will not exceed 8,000 bales. The sales of the week have been 49,000 bales, of which 4,000 were taken for export, and 3,000 on speculation. The stock in port and on shipboard is estimated at 372,000 bales, of which 94,000 are from the United States.

BREADSTUFFS—Flour, 5s. ⅌ bbl. for Western Canal. Corn, 35s. ⅌ quarter for old mixed Western.

PRODUCE—Spirits Turpentine, 24s. ⅌ gallon.

LONDON, Friday, Feb. 19.

United States Five-twenties, 70¼; quiet and steady at 70¾. Stocks quiet. Erie, 24¾; Illinois Central, 97.

LIVERPOOL, Friday, Feb. 19—1 P. M.

COTTON—Tenders yesterday, 8,000 bales. The sales embracing made at 11¼d. for Middling Uplands, and 11¾d. for Middling Orleans.

The sales of Cotton afloat is estimated at 200,000 bales, of which 150,000 are for the United States.

PROVISIONS—Lard, 70s. 6d. ⅌ cwt.

PRODUCE—Spirits Turpentine, 24s. 6d. ⅌ cwt.

LONDON, Friday, Feb. 19.

Spirits Turpentine, 24s. ⅌ gallon. Rosin, 4s. 6d. ⅌ cwt. Linseed Cakes, £11 ⅌ ton. Whale Oil, £42 ⅌ ton.

LIVERPOOL, Friday, Feb. 19—5 P. M.

The advices from Manchester are favorable to the market for yarns and woven fabrics. Cotton taking heavy.

Breadstuffs dull. Cultivated White Wheat, 10s. 2d.; Red Western, 9s. 10d. Corn, 35s. ⅌ quarter. Old Mixed Western, 35s.; New do., 34s. 6d. Pork, 82s.

LONDON, Friday, Feb. 19—6 P. M.

Sugar active for both on the spot and afloat.

The Cotton market opens quiet and steady.

LIVERPOOL, Friday, Feb. 19—6:30 P. M.

Cotton closed at 1 o'clock to-day and the account. United States Five-twenties, 70¼. Stocks quiet. Erie, 24¾; Illinois Central and Great Western, 97½.

LIVERPOOL, Friday, Feb. 19—6:30 P. M.

COTTON—The market opened flat and fell all the following quotations: Middling Uplands, 11¼d.; Middling Orleans, 11¾d. The sales of the day will not exceed 8,000 bales. The sales of the week have been 49,000 bales, of which 4,000 were taken for export, and 3,000 on speculation. The stock in port and on shipboard is estimated at 372,000 bales, of which 94,000 are from the United States.

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LONDON, Friday, Feb. 19.

Tobacco, Hemp and Tallow unchanged. Sugar quiet and steady. Linseed Cakes, £11 ⅌ ton. Petroleum, 1s. 6d. ⅌ gallon.

LONDON, Friday, Feb. 19.

FLOUR quiet. Wheat, 2s. ⅌ bbl. for Western Canal. Corn, 35s. ⅌ quarter for old mixed Western.

PRODUCE—Spirits Turpentine, 24s. ⅌ gallon.

LONDON, Friday, Feb. 19.

United States Five-twenties, 70¼; quiet and steady at 70¾. Stocks quiet. Erie, 24¾; Illinois Central, 97